## Dear Year 9 parent/carer,

We are pleased to present this half term's curriculum bulletin to you. Here you will be able to see what your child will be studying in their subjects this half term with the exception of PSHE which will be updated on a fortnightly basis in the Principal's Newsletter. On the academy website, we have uploaded Curriculum Learning Journeys for each subject. These tell you what is studied in each subject across the students' 5 year journey at Flegg. It enables you to get to know our departments better with their subject vision and their curriculum intents making clear what they want students to achieve in their time with us. If you have any questions about the curriculum in any subject, please contact the relevant subject leader and Mr Guy, our Assistant Principal for Curriculum.

## Year 9

**Art:** This half term students will continue to follow the project theme, 'Dragons'. They will develop their imaginative art skills as they work towards a final dragon design that they will create in mixed media. Students will also undertake their Autumn term drawing test when they make a tonal study of a group of objects.

**Computer Science:** This half term, students will code a basic webpage using HTML to construct it in a basic text editor

## Dance and Drama:

Dance: This half term students will be learning and creating their own dances using a range of stimuli.

Drama: This half term students will be devising drama work using a range of stimuli.

**English:** This half term year 9 students will complete the War Writing Unit. They will be continuing to develop their understanding of perspectives and writer's intent. They will study a range of texts written in the Great War as well as "Journey's End".

**French** This half term, students will be understanding (listening and reading) information and expressing (speaking and writing) information about the music they listen to.

**Spanish:** This half term, students will be working on understanding (listening and reading) and expressing (speaking and writing) information about films and a past visit to the cinema.

**Geography:** This half term, we will be exploring the impacts of tourism on countries at different levels of development.

**History:** This half term, year 9 will be studying the rise of Hitler and the impact of World War 2 across the globe.

**Maths:** This half term students will be exploring ratio and formulae manipulation. This includes finding ratio of amounts, simplifying ratio and applying ratios to maps and scale drawings, as well as writing and rearranging formulas.

**Music:** This half term, students will complete rotation 1, which focuses on four chord songs. They will begin rotation 2. This has two units. The first unit uses music technology composition to learn about EDM, and the second unit focuses on group performance of pop songs.

**Physical Education:** This half term, year 9s will be on a rotation of either Football, Basketball, Netball, OAA, Health related exercise and or Rugby. Pupils will continue to develop and improve on key skills and techniques involved within each area but with a focus on the importance of effective communication

**RE:** This half-term students will be studying a unit about religion, rules and rebels that looks at building upon their understanding of law and authority and thinking about whether there is a set of circumstances where it is morally right to break laws.

**Science:** This term, students will engage with a diverse range of scientific concepts that enhance their understanding of physics and chemistry. In Gas Pressure, students will examine the behaviour of gases, exploring factors that affect pressure, such as temperature and volume, and applying this knowledge to real-world scenarios, including weather patterns.

Finally, in The Reactivity Series of Metals, students will learn about the reactivity of different metals, exploring how they react with other substances, which is crucial for understanding chemical reactions. The unit on Light Waves will cover the nature of light, its properties, and behaviour, providing insights into optics and its applications in technology and nature.

**Technology:** This half term students will complete a unit of work related to one of the following technology areas: Resistant Materials and Catering. The catering unit will include students making Swiss roll as well as a chicken schnitzel and parmenter potatoes while the resistant materials unit will see the students complete a project making non-traditional vase.