In Years 7, 8 and 9 students follow the full National Curriculum for England. Three years are allocated to ensure that the National curriculum is taught fully. There is a strong focus on improving students' basic skills, particularly mathematics and reading. Retrieval practice is included on a weekly basis for pupils to remember and build upon previous knowledge.

The national curriculum provides pupils with an introduction to the essential knowledge that they need to be educated citizens. It introduces pupils to the best that has been thought and said; and helps engender an appreciation of human creativity and achievement.

By the end of this key stage, the aims of our curriculum are

- Consolidate their knowledge of the KS2 subject
- Build their confidence through varied practice
- Recall knowledge that they have learned from years 7-9
- Learn perseverance
- Be able to solve problems in different ways
- Not be afraid to get answers wrong
- Be challenged with new concepts

By the end of KS3, pupils are expected to know, apply and understand the matters, skills and processes specified in the relevant programme of study for each National Curriculum subject.