VGMS Character Curriculum Structure

Year Group	Half Term 1 (Autumn 1)	Half Term 2 (Autumn 2)	Half Term 3 (Spring 1)	Half Term 4 (Spring 2)	Half Term 5 (Summer 1)	Half Term 6 (Summer 2)
Year 5 (Foundations of Character)	**Resilience:** Embracing Mistakes & Growth Mindset	**Respect:** Respecting Ourselves & Our New School Community	**Kindness**: Everyday Small Acts of Kindness	**Resilience:** Overcoming New Challenges	**Respect:** Respecting Differences & Including Others	**Kindness**: Kindness to Our Local Environment
Year 6 (Leadership & Personal Responsibility)	**Resilience**: Managing Pressure & Academic Stamina	**Respect**: Active Listening & Valuing Diverse Opinions	**Kindness**: Standing Up Against Bullying (Upstander vs Bystander)	**Resilience**: Navigating Setbacks & Managing Emotions	**Respect**: Respecting Shared Spaces & Boundaries	**Kindness**: The Ripple Effect: Passing the Torch of Kindness.
Year 7 (Identity & Digital Citizenship)	**Resilience:** Building Independence & Academic Grit	**Respect:** Self-Respect, Personal Identity & Peer Dynamics	**Kindness**: Digital Kindness & Online Relationships	**Resilience:** Managing Peer Pressure & Choice	**Respect:** Rights, Responsibilities & Universal Respect	**Kindness**: Community Action & Local Social Impact
Year 8 (Citizenship, Leadership & Transition)	**Resilience**: Self-Regulation, Focus & Long-term Goals	**Respect**: Healthy Relationships, Boundaries & Consent	**Kindness**: Global Empathy & Human Rights	**Resilience**: Mental Wellbeing & Coping Strategies	**Respect**:Tackling Prejudice, Bias & Discrimination	**Kindness**: Legacy, Leadership & Preparing for High School