

# NPCAT, St Patrick's Catholic College - Curriculum Overview 2025-26

## Curriculum Breadth

Our Curriculum: 1. Allows for open choice and an equality of opportunity for all students, regardless of starting point or perceived barrier. 2. Is progressive, interleaved and sequenced to develop literacy and numeracy for all pupils. 3. Promotes good health development and strives to improve wellbeing. 4. Recognises the importance of digital literacy to improve communication. 5. Provides a range of courses that challenge, engage and raise the aspirations of pupils. 6. Promotes learning across a wide range of contexts and experiences.

Our aim, through our curriculum is to develop young people: 1. Who are not disadvantaged by an often challenging social context. 2. Who have the core literacy and numeracy skills needed to succeed in later life. 3. Who display confidence, resilience and the knowledge to stay mentally fit. 4. Who feel included in their community with an active desire to contribute politically, socially, culturally and economically. 5. Who can work in collaboration, solve problems, and show creativity and a willingness to challenge and debate. 6. Who display a thirst for knowledge and aspire to achieve. 7. Who are respectful and tolerant. 8. Who have high expectations of themselves and others.

	Core Subjects - The 'Basics'		Core Subjects				EBACC & Facilitating Subjects					Foundation Subjects							
	English Language and Literature	Mathematics	Science	RE	PSHE	PE	French	History	Geography	Art	Health and social care	Computing	Creative iMedia	Music	Sport	Performing Arts	Engineering	Textiles	Food
Year 7	Term 1a	Novel: The Bone Sparrow	Sequences, Understanding Algebraic Notation, Equality & Equivalence, Place value & ordering integers	Organisation, Energy, The Particle Model	How God is revealed to us and how we are called to respond	Health and Wellbeing- emotional health and transition from KS2-3, sleep resilience, keeping safe, first aid and healthy budgeting	Baseline, Football and Netball	<b>Me, my family and friends.</b> - greetings, name, age, numbers, birthday, family, pets	Overview Study: Water through time.	How do I become a Geographer in the North East?	Still Life: Working from direct observation, developing drawing skills and considering the work of linked artists	Using Computers Effectively and Responsibly		Introducing Composition and the Musical Elements			Wooden Storage box project	Textiles - Health and Safety Mini Monsters project	Food safety Relationship between diet and health
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	Term 1b	Novel: The Bone Sparrow	Place value & ordering integers, Fraction, decimals and percentage equivalence, Solving problems with addition & subtraction	Cells and Transport, Variation, Chemistry of the Atmosphere, Bionergics	How the Bible is used to reveal God	Health and Wellbeing- emotional health and transition from KS2-3, sleep resilience, keeping safe, first aid and healthy budgeting	Table Tennis, Football	<b>Me, my family and friends.</b> - Descriptions: hair/eyes, size, personality	The Norman Conquest, c1066-1100	Why do we always talk about the weather in Britain?	Still Life: Produce a creative outcome focusing on still life, pattern and colour	Algorithms		Introducing the Keyboard Skills, and Staff Notation			Wooden Storage box project	Textiles - Mini Monsters Project	Macronutrients: carbohydrates, protein and fat. Importance of having too much sugar in the diet.
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	Term 2a	Fiction: Myths and Legends	Solving problems with multiplication & division, fractions and percentages of amounts, Operations & equations with directed number	Cells and Transport, Bioenergetics, Atomic Structure, Chemical Changes, Electricity and Magnetism, Waves	Jesus' teachings as a guide to encountering others	changes that happen this year and how best to adapt to changes in school, home or the wider world	Basketball, Dance, Fitness	<b>School</b> - classroom language, equipment, colours, clothes, school subjects	The Middle-Ages: How miserable were the Middle-Ages?	How do humans impact Ecosystems?	<b>Natural Forms, craft:</b> working from observation and researching the work of artists	Visual Programming (Games Development in Scratch)		Introducing Rhythm					
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	Term 2b	Shakespeare: Much Ado About Nothing	Operations and Equations with Directed Number Addition & Subtraction of Fractions	Atomic Structure, Space	Jesus' temptation and how it links to the season of Lent	RSE- evaluating changes that happen this year and how best to adapt to changes in school, home or the wider world	Volleyball, Table Tennis	<b>School</b> - school day, school food and healthy eating, description of school	The Islamic Empire and the Crusades	What would you find in the Rainforest?	<b>Natural Forms, craft:</b> Development of a craft based outcome	Spreadsheets		Chords and the Ukulele					
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	Term 3a	Poetry: Poetry of the Natural World	Constructing, measuring and using Geometric Notation, Developing geometric reasoning, Developing Number Sense	Atomic structure, Forces	The importance of the Eucharist	around gangs, anti-social behaviour, racism and sexism. Evaluate career opportunities available in life after school.	Athletics	<b>Free time</b> - weather, seasons, sports 'play' and 'do', exercise	Why did Medieval Kings struggle to rule England?	How many is too many?	<b>Colourful Cities:</b> Drawing from Observation and looking at the work of relevant artists and crafts people	Creating Digital Graphics		Introducing Music Technology					
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	Term 3b	Novel: Treasure Island	Sets & Probability, Prime Numbers & Proof	Ecology, Rates of Reaction, Energy Changes	The makeup of the Church and the role of Church councils	around gangs, anti-social behaviour, racism and sexism. Evaluate career opportunities available in life after school.	Softball, Rounders, Ultimate Frisbee	<b>Free time</b> - hobbies (likes/dislikes), opinions	Were the Tudors Terrible?	Why do so many people live in Rio?	<b>Colourful Cities:</b> Produce a colourful outcome based on architecture and city spaces.			Introducing Music Technology					
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Year 8	Term 1a	Fiction: The Hunger Games	Ratio and scale, Multiplicative change, multiplying & dividing fractions, Working in the cartesian plane	Cells and Transport, Atomic Structure, Quantitative Chemistry, Energy	How Catholics understand and respond to sin	Living in the wider world- what is democracy. Explain different types of employment and job sectors	Football, Netball, Hockey	<b>Town</b> - places, invitations, trips and plans	Migration through time	Why do we send aid abroad?	<b>Natural World:</b> Working from observation, focusing on Animals and the work of linked artists and crafts people	Visual Programming Next Steps (Python in EduBlocks)		Developing composition through Film Music			USB LED Light project	Textiles - Colour and design - Applique / Tie dye / Quilting / Design work	Food safety - HACCP Relationship between diet and health Energy Bread
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	Term 1b	Fiction: The Hunger Games	Working in the cartesian plane, Representing Data, Tables & Probability Brackets, equations & inequalities	Infectious disease, Bonding, Particle model, Chemical changes	The role and importance of prophetic texts	Living in the wider world- what is democracy. Explain different types of employment and job sectors	Table Tennis, Football, Hockey	<b>Celebrations</b> - Festivals and celebrations, food for special occasions	African Civilisations	Why are people buying electric car?	<b>Natural world:</b> Developing a mixed media outcome	Computer Networks		Developing Keyboard skills and Staff Notation			USB LED Light project	Textiles - Colour and design - cushion cover	Macronutrients, Gluten, Eggs, Micronutrients and factors that affect food choice
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	Term 2a	Macbeth	Sequences, indices, fractions & percentages	Organisation, Electricity and Magnetism, Energy Changes	What Jesus parables teach about treatment of others	Health and wellbeing- positive mental health focussing on appearance ideals. How to stay physically, entally and financially safe.	Basketball, Dance, Fitness	<b>Celebrations</b> - New Year celebrations and plans, future trips	The Slave Trade	How does ice shape the land?	<b>Rangoli Patterns:</b> Looking at the cultures and traditions and working from observation of plants/flowers	Web Development (HTML and CSS)		Developing Rhythm through African Drumming					
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	Term 2b	Diverse voices in poetry	Standard Index Form, Area of trapezium and circle Line Symmetry & reflection, The data handling cycle	Bioenergetics, Space, Bonding, Organic Chemistry,	How Catholics understand and respond to suffering	Health and wellbeing- positive mental health focussing on appearance ideals. How to stay physically, entally and financially safe.	Volleyball, Table Tennis, Fitness	<b>Holidays</b> - normal and past holidays	The Industrial Revolution and Middlesbrough	Is Russia European or Asian?	<b>Rangoli Patterns:</b> Developing an outcome based on the artform of Rangoli	Data Representation		Developing Instrumental skills through the guitar and riffs					
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	Term 3a	Gothic Literature: Frankenstein and an anthology of Gothic texts	Angles in Parallel Lines and Polygons, Area of Trapezium and circles, Line Symmetry, The data handling cycle	Organisation of Plants, Waves, Chemistry of the Atmosphere	What Christians believe about resurrection and what happens at the end of life	RSE- how to live with tolerance, indness and forgiveness	Athletics	<b>Free time (technology)</b> - TV, online activities	The British Empire	Is Britain shrinking?	<b>Masks:</b> Focusing on crafts from around the world	Introduction to Text-Based Programming (Python)		Developing Music Technology					
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	Term 3b	Gothic Literature: Frankenstein and an anthology of Gothic texts	The data handling cycle, Measures of Location	Variation and Ecology, Forces, Using resources	What Ecclesiam Suam is and why there is more than one Catholic Church.	RSE- how to live with tolerance, indness and forgiveness	Softball, Rounders, Ultimate Frisbee	<b>Free time (technology)</b> - cinema, shopping	The Development of Voting Rights in Britain	How do our jobs affect our free time?	<b>Masks:</b> Creating and making work based on the theme of Masks	Databases (SQL)		Developing Music Technology					
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Term 1a	Identity: The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time	Straight line graphs, Forming & Solving equations, Testing Conjectures, 3D Shapes	Atomic Structure, and Quantitative Chemistry, space, cells	Sanctity of Life with reference to Genesis and Matrimony	RSE- evaluate complexities of sexual intimacy	Football, Netball	<b>The Environment</b> - eating habits, animals and the natural world and environmental problems	World War One	How do rivers shape the land?	<b>Sea Environments:</b> completion of observation and reserch work	Exploring Programming (Python)		Exploring composition and improvisation through Blues Music			Pewter casting of Art Deco inspired jewellery	Textiles - Day of The Dead project - sampling and design work	Making choices building on practical skills and nutritional knowledge	
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