

The Curriculum at Downlands



Curriculum Ambition

- Ambition for students to achieve outstanding outcomes
- Ambition for students to have the knowledge, skills and character to thrive in their next stage of learning
- Ambition for students to be happy – healthy – good members of the community
- Ambition to provide students with culturally enriching experiences



The Curriculum at Key Stage 3

English
Maths

Sciences
Languages
History
Geography
RS

Art
Drama
Music
Dance
PE
Technology
Forest Schools
PDC



Year 8



Geography

History

Mathematics

Languages

Music

Personal Development

Physical Education

Religious Studies

Science

"Books and doors are the same thing. You open them, and you go through into another world." | Jeanette Winterson

English-Curriculum-Ambition-Statement

LEARNING JOURNEY

English Department

Year 9 ambition: To consolidate the skills and knowledge developed over Years 7 and 8, whilst ensuring a smooth transition to Key Stage 4 English. Texts have been carefully selected – both in terms of content and context – to prepare students for rigours and demands of GCSE English. Students are granted opportunities to take greater risks with their creative and transactional writing in order to develop an independent voice.

Term 3

- Power and Conflict Poetry
- An Inspector Calls (Faster Read) – Bridging Unit

Term 2

- Gothic Fiction
- The Turn of the Screw

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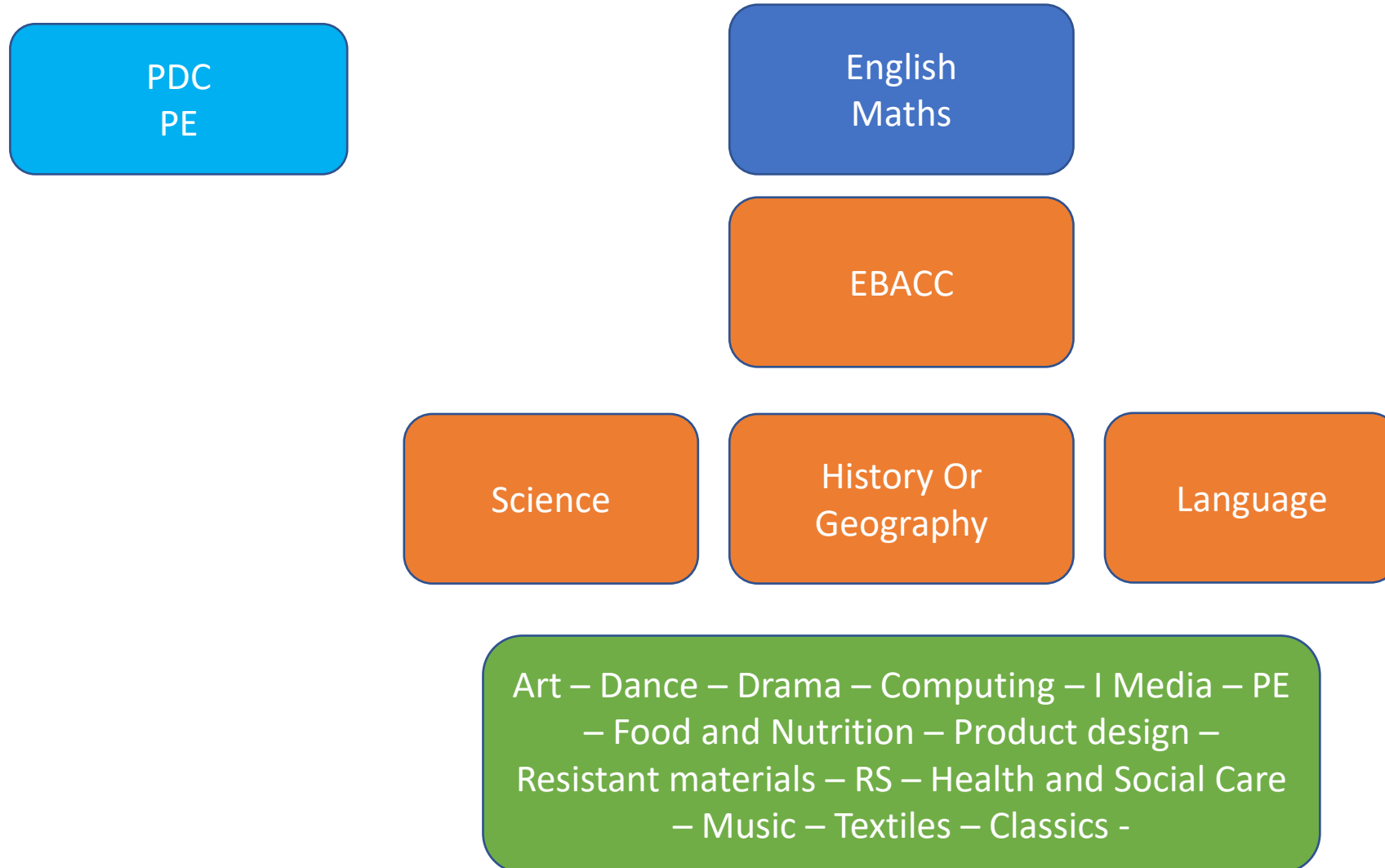
Term 3

- Lady Macbeth (Shakespeare)
- Powerful Voices:

Term 1

- Transactional Writing (non-fiction)
- A Christmas Carol

The Curriculum at Key Stage 4



Cambridge Nationals

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Sports Studies

Health & Social Care

40% Exam

60% Coursework/Practical Assessment



1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9



L2 Pass



L2 Merit



L2 Distinction



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Wider Curriculum



Student leadership

