



# Poltair School Key Stage 3 Curriculum 2023-2024

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## An Ambitious Curriculum

All students follow a curriculum at KS3 that is ambitious for them. We want every learner to be highly motivated by the subjects that they study and build a strong foundation of rich knowledge that will prepare them for future study and employment.

At the heart of the curriculum is the development of communication skills- reading, writing and speaking. We want every student to become confident communicators, able to articulate their knowledge and understanding alongside being able to express their thoughts and opinions.

The curriculum provides a wide range of opportunities for students to enrich their experiences and engage with a diverse range of texts, narratives and key figures in order to build their cultural capital.

Our enrichment curriculum aims to widen this further and provide students with the opportunity to contextualise their learning and experience a range of alternative environments, cultures, skills and knowledge beyond the taught curriculum.

## Subjects studied

We follow a two-week timetable and 75-minute lessons and so the time allocated for each subject is per fortnight.

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Year 7</b>	<b>Year 8</b>	<b>Year 9</b>
English	7 x 75 minutes	6 x 75 minutes	7 x 75 minutes
Mathematics	6 x 75 minutes	7 x 75 minutes	6 x 75 minutes
Science	6 x 75 minutes	6 x 75 minutes	7 x 75 minutes
Spanish	4 x 75 minutes	4 x 75 minutes	4 x 75 minutes
Geography	3 x 75 minutes	3 x 75 minutes	3 x 75 minutes
History	3 x 75 minutes	3 x 75 minutes	3 x 75 minutes
PE	3 x 75 minutes	3 x 75 minutes	2 x 75 minutes
Art	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes
Design Technology	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes
Food Technology	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes
Computing	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes
Personal Development	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes
RE	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes
Drama	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes
Music	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes	1 x 75 minutes