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Secondary – Year 8 Curriculum

Dear Parent/Carer

The curriculum is at the heart of everything that takes place in school. The word 'curriculum' has been devised from the Latin word 'Currere' which means a 'race course', or a pathway on which a person can achieve their goals. Accordingly, a curriculum is the programme of study through which our students achieve their goals, ideals and aspirations for life.

At Hessle High School and Sixth Form College, we constantly review our curriculum to ensure that it provides students with an opportunity to learn about the best that has been thought and said in human history, and which helps students to engender an appreciation of human creativity and achievements.

Subject specialists across our wide range of subjects have designed schemes and programmes of learning that go beyond the National Curriculum to provide a diverse learning experience. We want our learners to enjoy, achieve and be successful.

We also believe that it is beneficial for parents and carers to know what your child is studying, and will study, as they progress through our school and so we have designed the attached Year 8 Curriculum Booklet. This sets out what your child has already studied in the first half of the school year and what they will study in the remainder of the year.

You will notice that these programmes of study are planned around a 'Big Question' which underpins the learning in that subject for a period of time, usually a term. This approach enables students to see the relevance of their work and helps to provide a coherence to the topics that they study.

We hope that you will find this booklet interesting and that it will enable you sit with your child and discuss and share their learning experience.

If you have any questions about the content of our Key Stage 3 curriculum, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Price, Deputy Headteacher by email office@hessleacademy.com

Yours faithfully

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