Frances Bardsley Sixth Form

Y12 Transition Booklet

2023



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Super-curriculum



What are super-curricular activities?

Super-curricular activities are additional academic pursuits undertaken by students outside of their regular curriculum to deepen their understanding and knowledge of a specific subject. These activities go beyond the scope of the standard curriculum and are self-motivated efforts to explore and engage with a subject in more depth.

It is different from extra-curricular activities, which are pursuits outside of academic interests like crocheting, horse-riding and so on.

What are the benefits?

They show that you have a genuine interest and passion for a particular subject. They are an excellent way for you to demonstrate your intellectual curiosity, passion, and dedication to a subject beyond what is expected in the classroom.

Not only do they enrich your knowledge and skills but they can also be valuable assets when applying to colleges or universities. Universities and apprenticeships often look favorably upon applicants who have demonstrated a genuine passion for learning and have engaged in super-curricular activities, as it reflects a proactive and motivated approach to education.

What are some examples of super-curricular activities?

You could engage in:

- Online Lectures and Courses: Gresham College is a fantastic place to start looking for free, online lectures on any topic imaginable. You can also complete a MOOC (Massive Open Online Course) for free on websites like EdX and Coursera.
- **Visiting Museums and Exhibitions:** Visiting museums, galleries, or exhibitions related to the subject to enhance understanding and appreciation of the topic through visual and interactive displays
- **Joining Academic Clubs or Societies:** Becoming a member of clubs or societies related to the subject, where students can discuss and exchange ideas with like-minded individuals.
- **Independent Research:** Conduct research on a specific topic of interest, either through books, academic journals, or online resources, to gain a deeper understanding and develop critical thinking skills. JStor is a fantastic free resource to read up to 100 journals a month.
- Academic Competitions: Engage in academic competitions or challenges that test and apply knowledge in innovative ways.
- Watching documentaries: Netflix and YouTube are a treasure trove of exciting documentaries on your favorite topics.

We have put together this booklet for you containing a super curriculum for A-level subjects. It is an opportunity for you to deepen your understanding of the subjects you would like to study before you start with us.

Art



Grayson Perry: Reith Lectures (BBC)

Democracy has bad taste:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b03969vt

I Found Myself In The Art World: https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b03g9mn1



BBC RADIO 4, Melvin Bragg's 'In our Time'

The Artist:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/program mes/p00548cd

Symmetry:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/program mes/b00776v8



Podcast: 99% Invisible

Recommended episodes:

- The many deaths of a painting
- · The secret lives of colour
- Welcome to Jurassic art
- The mind of an architect



Google Cultural
Institute Art Project

Recommended episodes:

This is an ongoing project where you will be able to see every piece of art work in the world: https://www.google.com/culturalinst



The Tate
Galleries

Check out the United Kingdom's national collection of British art, and international modern and contemporary art.

https://www.tate.org.uk/



Photographic Films

These films are made entirely of photos there are no moving images whatsoever. How does this affect the film?

- 'Frida': Biopic about iconic Mexican Painter Frida Kahlo.
- 'Loving Vincent': Biopic about Vincent Van Gogh.



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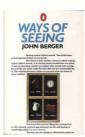
Netflix Choices

Recommended watches:

- Blurred Lines: Inside the Art World (2017)
- How to Sell a Banksy (2012)
- Art Basel: A Portrait (2014)
- Ai Weiwei: Never Sorry (2012)
- Abstract: The Art of Design Finding Vivian Maier



Ways of Seeing (John Berger)

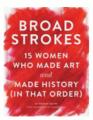


Think Like an Artist (Will Gompertz)





Broad Strokes (Quinn & Congdon)





The Short Story of Art (Susie Hodge)





Greek Sculpture (John Boardman)



Biology



Brian Cox & Robin Ince (BBC)

The Infinite Monkey Cage



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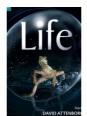


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Life (David Attenborough)





Gattaca





Contagion! (BBC)



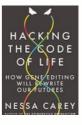
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Blue Planet || (BBC)



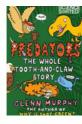


Hacking The Code Of Life (Nessa Carey)





Predators - The Whole Tooth And Claw Story (Glenn Murphy)



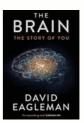


The Gene (Siddhartha Mukherjee)





The Brain (David Eagleman)



Business Studies



Ted Talk:

TED Talk on being a strong leader in business and economics- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aUYSDE Ydmzw



How to approach Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in a sustainable manner

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=mTAa2Bm0EZM



The four- letter code to selling anything

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=6pY7Ejq D3QA



Ted Talk:

How to motivate people towards excellence

https://www.youtube.co m/watch? v=aljb6ZXBwV0



The Secret World Of Lego



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Inside Job





The Corporation (Mark Achbar, Jennifer Abbott)



Enron: The Smartest Guys in the Room



Business Review Magazine

https://www.hoddereducation.co.uk /magazin es/magazinesextras/business-review-extras



BBC Business News page-)

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/busine ss



Learn about brands and advertising on The Museum of Brands website.)

https://www.museumofbrands.com/



Business Studies Learning Resources

https://watchdocumentaries.com/e nron-the-smartest-guys-in- theroom/

Chemistry



Podcast:

5 podcasts of different elements from the periodic table

http://www.rsc.org/peri odictable/podcast



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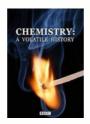


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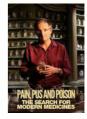


Chemistry: A Volatile History (BBC)





Pain, Pus & Poison (BBC)





Atoms Of Fire (ABC)





The Mystery of Matter





Molecules of Murder (John Emsley)



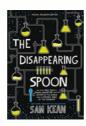


Why Does Asparagus Make Your Wee Smell? (Andy Brunning)



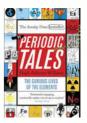


The Disapearing Spoon (Sam Kean)





Periodic Tales (Hugh Williams)



English Language/Lit



Podcast:

Create a login for Seneca and listen to podcasts for A Level English https://www.senecalearning.com/blog/english-lit-a-level-podcasts-by-seneca/



Podcast:

https://www.penguin.co.uk/



Podcast:

https://mrbruff.com/



Podcast:

https://player.fm/podcasts/englishliterature



National Theatre

The National Theatre Live will screen a NT play every Thursday at 7pm.
They will be available to watch for 7 days after this. It starts with James Corden in One Man Two Guvnors.
The Royal Shakespeare company has free full- length broadcast.
https://www.nationaltheatre.org



The Kite Runner /
Tess of the
D'Ubervilles







A Streetcar Named Desire / Pride and Prejudice







Shakespeare's Plays

https://www.shakespearesglobe.co m/watch/



Atonement / The Bell Jar

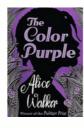






The Worlds Wife / The Colour Purple







I Know Why The Caged Bird Sings I Brick Lane

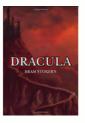






The Handmaids Tale / Dracula





History



Podcasts:

BBC You're Dead to Me by Greg Jenner

BBC In Our Time with Melvyn Bragg



History Extra (Spotify)

Dan Snow's History Hit



BBC World Service Witness

Histories of the Unexpected



HistoryPod:

On this Day in History Podcasts



Rise of Empires: Ottoman (Netflix)





The Coldest Game (Netflix)





Lost Home Movies of Nazi Germany





History Video Channels:

BBC Teach- Women's
History Playlist TEDEd Assorted
History
lessons
History Extra- YouTube BBC
History YouTube Playlist

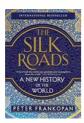


The Shortest History Of Germany (James Haws)



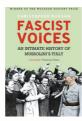


Silk Roads (Peter Frankopan)





Fascist Voices (Christopher Duggan)





The Cold War (John Lewis Gaddis)



Health & Social Care



Me Before You / Sorry We Missed You







To The Bone/ Still Alice







Bohemian Rhapsody *l* Hidden Figures







The Upside / The Children Act







My Sister's Keeper *l* Three Identical Strangers





Television Programmes:

24 hours in A & E – Channel 4
Babies: their wonderful world –
BBC Britain's hidden hungry – BBC
Crisis in Care: BBC Panorama
Katie Piper: My beautiful face Jesy
Nelson - BBC Three



Good Enough / If I Was Your Girl







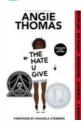
How Children Learn / How Children Fail

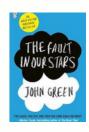






The Hate U Give / The Fault In Our Stars

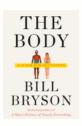






The Weight Of A Thousand Feathers / The Body







All The Bright Places / Wonder

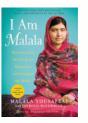






Junk / I Am Malala





Law



Podcasts:

TED Talk on being a strong leader in business and economics- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aUYSDE Ydmzw



Podcasts:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=mTAa2Bm0EZM



Podcasts:

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=6pY7Ejq D3QA



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How to motivate people towards excellence

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Silk (BBC)





When They See Us





The Split



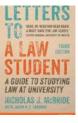


Line Of Duty



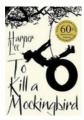


Letters To a Law Student (Nicholas McBride)



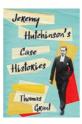


To Kill A Mockingbird (Harper Lee)





Jeremy Hutchinson's Case Histories (Thomas Grant)





Winning Arguments (Jay Heinrichs)



Mathematics



Podcast:

https://soundcloud.com/da mienadams-662584563 https://kpknudson.com/my-favoritetheorem/



Podcast:

https://podcasts.ox.ac.uk/ series/secrets- mathematics https://www.bbc.co.uk/pr ogrammes/b00srz5b/epis odes/downloads



Podcast:

http://ww7.breakingmat hpodcast.com/

https://www.bbc.co.uk/p rogrammes/p00545hk



Podcast:

https://relprime.com/ https://player.fm/series/ mathematical-moments- from-theamerican- mathematical-society



The Theory Of Everything (Stephen Hawking)





Prediction By The Numbers





The Code (<u>Marcus du</u> <u>Sautoy</u>)



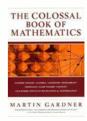


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The Colossal Book Of Mathematics (Martin Gardner)



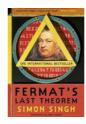


The Music Of The Primes (Marcus du Sautoy)





Fermats Last Theorem (Simon Singh)





The Code Book (Simon Singh)



Media Studies



Ted Talk:

How symbols and brands shape our humanity by Debbie Millman



Ted Talk:

How the world distorts our world view By Alisa Miller



Ted Talk:

How social media transformed art? By Kenza Mouaqit



Ted Talk:

The key to the media's hidden codes By Ben Beaton



The Circle / Divergent







Lion / Insidious







Bird Box / Meet Joe Black







Netflix

Luther Black Mirror Chambers The Witcher Rick and Morty



We the Media (Dan Gillmor)



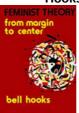


Gender, Race and Class In Media (Bill Yousman)





Feminist Theory From Margin to Centre (Bell Hooks)





Participatory Culture: Interviews (Henry Jenkins)



Photography



Podcasts:

A Small Voice: Conversations with Photographers by Ben Smith



A Photographic Life Founder by Grant Scott

 $\frac{www.unitednationsofphotogr}{aphy.com}$



TPG:

www.thephotographersgaller y.org.uk/content/talking- aboutphotography



Mack Books:

www.mackbooks.co.uk /pages/live



Dogville (Nicole Kidman)





Apocalypse Now (Francis Ford Coppola)





We'll take Manhattan (<u>John McKay</u>)





Rear Window (Alfred Hitchcock's)





British Journal Of Photography



https://www.1854.photography/



PhotoGrad

https://www.photograd.co.uk



Magnum Photo:

https://www.magnumphotos.com



Photography Now

http://photographynow.com/exhibition/?ty_pe=A

Physical Education



Ted Talk:

https://voxcast.podomat ic.com/



How to approach Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in a sustainable manner

https://thephysicaleduca tor.com/podcast/



The four- letter code to selling anything

https://peumbrella.com/ the-pegeek/



Ted Talk:

https://podcasts.apple.c om/au/podcast/the-fundamental-movement/id109037735 1?mt=2



Cool Runnings (<u>Jon</u> Turteltaub)





Gladiator (<u>Ridley</u> Scott)





The Football Factory (Nick Love)





Chariots of Fire (<u>Hugh</u> <u>Hudson</u>)





Motor Learning and Performance







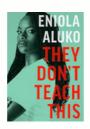
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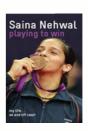
They Don't Teach This
/ Unbroken







Playing to Win / Breakaway





Physics



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Touring the world, mainly talking about cosmology, quantum mechanics, black holes and the value of our civilisation.



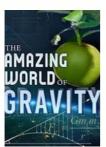
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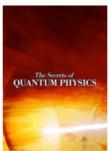
benefit of all.

The Amazing World of Gravity (Andrew Smith)



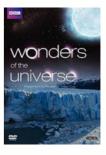
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Secrets of Quantum Physics (Jim Al-Khalili)



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Wonders of the Universe (BBC)



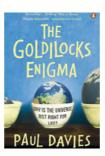


Particle Fever (<u>Mark</u> <u>Levinson)</u>



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The Goldilocks Enigma (Paul Davies)

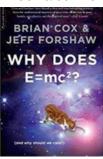


Storm In A Teacup (Helen Czerski)





Why Does E = MC² (Brian Cox & Jeff Forshaw)



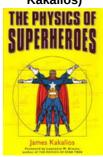


Hidden Figures (Margot Lee Shetterly)





The Physics of Superheroes (James Kakalios)



Psychology



Happier with Gretchen Rubin

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Super Psychology

Available on Spotify and is all on Alevel content



AQA A-Level Psychology

Available on Spotify and is all on Alevel content



The Psychology Podcast

by Scott Barry Kaufman

Available on Spotify



A Beautiful Mind / Split







The Standford Prison Experiment / Memento







Project Nim / Inception







Netflix

Derren Brown
Babies
100 Humans
Making a Murderer
The Mind Explained
Orphan Black



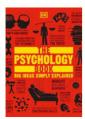
The Man Who Mistook His Wife for a Hat / Cathy Glass







The Psychology Book / Bad Science

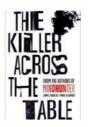






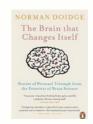
A Beginners Guide to Being Mental / The Killer Across The Table







The Brain that Changes Itself / The Man Who Couldn't Stop







We hope that you find these activities engaging and inspiring and that you start your sixth-form journey with us excited to start learning more about your chosen subjects.

See you on Tuesday, 5th September at 8:30am for a Welcome Breakfast.