YEAR 9 CURRICULUM OVERVIEW 2025-2026



ISB offers a balanced, challenging, and rich programme of study based on an internationally adapted British National Curriculum. This document shows the overview of the topics that Year 9 students will study in each term throughout the year*.

Topic resources and lessons are shared via class Teams and students use a combination of devices and exercise books to record their learning. To ensure that *Everyone Excels*, students receive regular feedback in a variety of forms to support their progress.

	Subject	Half Term 1	Half Term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half Term 5	Half Term 6
M)	English Literature	Drama study: 'Macbeth' by William Shakespeare		Novel Study: Life of Pi		Poetry Study: Ted Hughes	
	English Language		English M	lastery Writing, Units 1 - 3: Mastery and application of grammatical rules.			
	Mathematics	NUMBER: Four Operations, Fractions, Decimals, Percentages, Rounding, Index Laws, Time, Money & Exchange Rates GEOMETRY: Converting Units ALGEBRA: Substitution, Algebraic Manipulation		NUMBER: Percentages. GEOMETRY: Trigonometry PROBABILITY & STATISTICS: Frequency & Two-Way Tables, Interpreting Data For Accelerated Only: Circles, Arcs & Sectors, Algebraic Fractions		NUMBER: Ratio & Proportion. GEOMETRY: Circles, Arcs & Sectors, Bearings. ALGEBRA: Linear Sequences, Linear Graphs. PROBABILITY & STATISTICS: Statistical Charts & Diagrams, Averages. For Accelerated Only: Quadratics & Reciprocals, Solving Equations	
	Science	9A Genetics and evolution and 9E Making Materials	9I Forces and Motion and 9B Plant Growth	9F Reactivity and 9J Force Fields and Electromagnets	9C Biology and 9G Chemistry Revision & Projects	9K Physics Revision and Projects. 9D Biology. IGCSE Transition	9H Chemistry and 9L Physics. IGCSE Transition
	Design Technology	Biomimicry Stool Project (Sustainability & Inspired Design)		Clock Design Project (Internationalisation & Technical Drawings)		Sustainable Power Project (Eco-design, Energy & Mechanics)	
ر م	Malay 1st Language	Lisan: Bacaan dan Kefahaman. Ringkasan dan Fahaman: Fakta dan Perbincangan. Memodenkan: Kefahaman dan Menyusun Isi Cerita. Puisi: seloka. Karangan: Perbincangan. Peribahasa: Perumpamaan.		Lisan: Bacaan dan Kefahaman. Ringkasan dan Fahaman: Fakta dan Perbincangan. Memodenkan: Kefahaman dan Menyusun Isi Cerita. Tatabahasa: Ayat aktif & Ayat Pasif, Kata Banyak Makna. Karangan: Rencana. Puisi: Sajak.		Lisan: Bacaan dan Kefhaman. Ringkasan dan Fahaman: Fakta dan Perbincangan. Peribahasa: Kata-kata hikmat. Karangan: Karangan Fakta, Surat Rasmi dan Surat Tidak Rasmi. Tatabahasa: Kesalahan tatabahasa, Ayat tunggal & ayat majmuk, ayat aktif & ayat pasif, cakap ajuk & cakap pindah. Memodenkan: Menukarkan Teks Klasik kepada Moden.	
، ره	Malay Foreign Language	All About Malaysia		Festival and Special Events		Interesting Places	
م م	Mandarin	Colours, Clothing, Weather and Holidays		My favourite subjects, My Hobbies, Commonly used adjectives		My School Life, A Day in My House	
	French	A past holiday, a typical day at school and yesterday after school		What I did last weekend and a recent outing to the cinema		Future dreams, aspirations and life plans, summer holiday and back-to-school plans	
400 900	Spanish	A past holiday, a typical day at school and yesterday after school		What I did last weekend and a recent outing to the cinema		Future dreams, aspirations and life plans, summer holiday and back-to-school plans	
M	Geography	Plate tectonics	Climate Change and Global Impacts	Global Tourism	Global Tourism and Extreme Environments	Extreme Environments	Coastal Margins
	Computing	CS: Computational Thinking - Pseudocode DL: Digital Citizenship	CS: Programming - text based	IT: Computer System DL: Cybersecurity	CS: Automated and Emerging Technology DL: Ethics in Al	IT: Database DL: Inquiry Project - BGIC	CS: Physical Computing (Al and Robotics)
	History	WWII in Asia WWII in Europe		Vietnam, 1945-75		China: Conflict, Crisis and Change 1900-76	
	Art	Facial Features: realistic depiction of facial elements	Ceramics - creating a 3D facial features 8x10cm slabs	Objects of Affection arranging an A2 board	Still Life: Realistic depictions of objects	Photographic manipulation of selfies	Portraiture
	Music	Romantic Music Unit, 1st Music Analysis & Individual Performance Assessment	Battle Of The Bands	& 2nd Music Analysis	Showcase Performances	2nd Individual Performance Assessment & Grade 2 ABRSM Music Theory	Jazz & Blues unit covering a range of styles, history, composition & improvisation
	Performing Arts	DANCE: Capoeira		Y9 PERFORMING ARTS SHOWCASE		Script Writing	Independent Project; Responding to a stimulus.
	Physical Education	Over the course of the year students will participate in a range of activities; Aquatics, Aquatic Games, Athletics, Health & Well-being, Indoor Invasion Games, Interhouse Football & Swimming, Net Games, Outdoor Invasion Games, Personal Survival, Rounders, Softball, Striking and Fielding, Stroke Development, Swim Fitness and Sports Day.					
	Personal, Social, Health, Economic	Peer influence, substance use and gangs	Setting goals	Respectful relationships	Healthy lifestyle	Intimate relationships	Employability skills
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Every Term, parents will receive a progress report that outlines how the student is progressing.

Progress and next steps are discussed at subsequent Parent Teacher Meetings.



*Please note that this is a fluid document and is subject to change depending on regular curriculum reviews.