

The Orchard Centre Curriculum

At The Orchard Centre our curriculum is regularly reviewed and modified to meet the ever changing needs of the students. Whilst doing this we also have to consider the requirements of the national curriculum and the expectations of our mainstream referrers. At all times we endeavour to deliver a balanced Key Stage 3 curriculum which, in turn, is a strong foundation for our Key Stage 4 curriculum and the demands of GCSEs and other relevant qualifications.

At Key Stage 3 all students follow a planned timetable and are expected to access all subjects on offer including outdoor education. Key Stage 4 students have a focused timetable including core subjects, GCSE Religious Education, option subjects and where applicable The Duke of Edinburgh Award. At both key stages, dedicated Personal, Social and Health Education lessons are timetabled and underpin the work that we do with our learners.

	KS3 (x3)		Year 10 (x2)		Year 11 (x2)	Foundation Learners (x1)		TOTAL
English	5		5		5	6		41
Maths	5		5		5	5		40
Science	4		5		5	5		37
Functional Skills			1		1	2		6
PSHE/Citizenship	5		3		3	4		31
Food Technology	2		4		4			14
Humanities	3		2		2			17
PE	2		1+ 4		1 + 4			19
Art	2		4		4			14
Duke of Edinburg/John Muir	2		4		4	4		18
TOTAL	30		30		30	30		

Other curricular opportunities for students to access music, drama and specialised sports are available in lunchtime activities and as specialist workshops or focus days throughout the academic year. Where appropriate the curriculum is also broadened and complemented by relevant trips and visits.