

Upper School Main Lessons

Main Lessons are unique to the Waldorf Curriculum, providing every pupil with a broad spectrum of learning experiences throughout their education. The schedule of Main Lessons is carefully constructed to provide a balance between arts, science and crafts, while the subjects themselves are selected to be appropriate for a particular age group and developmental stage. In this way, the Main Lessons enjoyed by each year group come to be defined and coordinated by an overall 'theme'. Main Lessons normally last between three and four weeks. Certain Main Lessons (marked below with an asterisk) are accredited by the Open College Network, allowing pupils to gain a qualification equivalent to a GCSE. In Classes 11 and 12, the daily Main Lesson is slightly reduced in length to accommodate the examination subjects.

Class 9 Theme: 'Contrasts'

HISTORY OF ART MATHEMATICS NARRATIVES* ORGANIC CHEMISTRY
DRAMA GEOLOGY PHYSICS FARMING/FORESTRY

Class 10 Theme: 'Limits'

DRAMA POETRY MECHANICS INORGANIC CHEMISTRY
TRIGONOMETRY HUMAN BIOLOGY CLIMATOLOGY* ANCIENT HISTORY*

Class 11 Theme: 'Journey'

BOOK BINDING ROMANTICISM* SURVEYING CHEMISTRY OF METALS PARZIVAL MUSIC ART HISTORY MEDIEVAL HISTORY

Class 12 Theme: 'Synthesis'

POLITICS ECONOMICS PHILOSOPHY* WORLD GEOGRAPHY
ASTRONOMY MODERN LITERATURE CLAY HEAD MODELLING

Highlights and Excursions

Class	Description	Duration
9	Garvald farm trip (farming)	Up to two weeks
10	Work experience	Two weeks
11	Surveying	One week residential (Highlands)
12	Class 12 trip abroad	Up to three weeks