

The academy values of Responsibility, Resilience, Compassion and Aspiration play an integral part in the curriculum and these are reflected in our assembly topics.

Assembly Plan 2024 - 25							
Week Beginning	Key Dates	Assembly Topic	Leading	PAD additional/ Character/Values - subject to whole school need	Thought of the week	Flag to raise	Days
AUTUMN 1							
2nd September	6th September - Read a book day; 8th September - International Literacy day; 10th September - world suicide prevention day;	Welcome back assembly - Monday Years 7-11 General Safeguarding/ expectations/ non negotiables Gateway Values - Actions not words	GMN/JMI/NHT/JBT	Year 7- Character and Community - Academy Values - Actions not words Year 8 - Character and Community - Academy Values - Actions not words Year 9 - Communication Skills Year 10 - Character and Community - Academy Values - Actions not words Year 11 - Mindfulness and work/life balance	"Although no one can go back and make a brand-new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand-new ending." Carl Bard	Gateway Academy Flag	Assemblies Mon - Year 7 Tues - Year 8 Wed - Year 8 Thurs - Year 9 Fri - Year 11
9th September	15th September - International day of democracy; 10th September - world suicide prevention day;	Progress Leaders - Theme - Resilience	Progress Leaders	Year 7- Peer Pressure Year 8 - Peer Pressure Year 9 - Peer Pressure Year 10 - Peer Pressure Year 11 - Healthy coping strategies	"Together, ordinary people can achieve extraordinary results." Becca Schoettle	Gateway Academy Flag	
16th September	18th September - Jeans for Genes; 21st September - International day of peace;	Safeguarding	TBT	Year 7- Bullying Year 8 -Bullying Year 9 - Bullying Year 10 - Bullying Year 11 - What are the main issues facing 16 year olds	"Honest self-reflection opens your mind to reprogramming, change, success and freedom." Vikas Runwal	Gateway Academy Flag	
23rd September	23rd September - international sign language day;	Progress Leader - Theme - Reading Importance of Reading Guest Speaker Year 11 - Careers Assembly - Civil Service	Progress Leaders TRS will run the reading assembly	Year 7- Grace under pressure Year 8 - Grace under pressure Year 9 - Grace under pressure Year 10 - Grace under pressure Year 11 - What difference will good self esteem make	"A resourceful person can see opportunity when others only see obstacles." Garrett Gunderson	Gateway Academy Flag	
30th September	Black History Month - October 5th October - Worlds teacher day	Online Safety - 2024 Progress Leader - Awards - Value Badges Year 11 - Gable Hall 6th Form assembly (open day 10/10)	JMI	Year 7- No Sheep Here Year 8 - No Sheep Here Year 9 - No Sheep Here Year 10 - No Sheep Here Year 11 - Too little or too much, why they are both bad	"I am not what happened to me. I am what I choose to become." Carl Jung	Black History Flag	
7th October	10th October - World Mental Health day; October - World Homelessness day;	10th Year 11 PPEs - no assembly NHS Careers assemblies this week (YR 7 -9) AFR	NHS Guest speakers	Rewards and celebration/ Value badges Year 7- NHS Careers Assembly Year 8 - NHS Careers Assembly Year 9 - NHS Careers Assembly Year 10 - Group vs individual Year 11 - NHS Careers Assembly	"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement. Nothing can be done without hope and confidence." Helen Keller	Black History/ Mental health awareness Flag	
14th October	16th October - world food day; 18th October - anti slavery day;	Year 11 PPEs Progress Leader - Virtual assembly - Rewards	Progress Leaders	Virtual Assemblies	"A ship in harbour is safe, but that's not what ships are built for." G.T. Shedd	Black History Flag	
AUTUMN 2							
4th November	11th November - Armistice/Remembrance Day; 7th November - Marie Curie's birthday; 10th November - world science day; 12th November - Diwali;	Progress Leader - Theme - Responsibility	Progress Leaders	Year 7- Kindness and Compassion Year 8 - Wellbeing - Healthy bodies, healthy minds Year 9 - Safety and safeguarding Year 10 - Body Positivity and responsibility Year 11 - Body Positivity and responsibility	"When you go home, tell them of us and say, for their tomorrow we gave our today." John Maxwell Edmonds	Gateway Academy Flag	
11th November	13th November - Anti Bullying week; November - Children in need; November Disability history month; November World diabetes week	17th 16th 16th Reembrace - A week looking at the importance of reembrace, the small part we all play in the world and society and how we must work together to make the biggest impact. Year 7 - Remembrance Year 8 & 9 Careers assembly - South Essex College Year 10 Careers assembly - NHS Careers Year 11 Careers assembly - Harris Chafford	MTS (Year 7) Guest speakers (Years 8-11)	Remembrance -MTS to provider Resources for 8-11 Year 7- Exploring self acceptance and perspective Year 8 - Reframming negative thinking Year 9 - Safety and Safeguarding - Year 10 - Exploring Body message Year 11 - Exploring Body message	"Too often, we are silent when we see bullying take place, silent about the hurt bullying causes, and silent when we hear bullying dismissed as 'just banter'. It doesn't have to be this way."	Anti Bullying Flag	
18th November	20th November - world childrens day	Progress Leader - Theme - Compassion Year 7 Careers assembly - LTC project and career opportunities Year 10 Careers assembly - Harris Chafford Friday 22nd November - Year 11 Academic Awards	Progress Leaders Guest Speakers (Year 7 & 10)	Value Badges Year 7- Exploring gratitude Year 8 - Mindfulness Year 9 - Safety and Safeguarding Year 10 - Exploring Sizeism Year 11 - Exploring Sizeism	"Creativity is intelligence having fun." Albert Einstein	Gateway Academy Flag	
25th November	30th November - St Andrews day; 3rd December - Advent begins	County Lines/ Trafficking	JMI	Year 7- Exploring empathy and compassion Year 8 - Disordered eating Year 9 - Safety and Safeguarding Year 10 - Size vs Health Year 11 - Size vs Health	"The people who are crazy enough to think they can change the world are the ones who do." Steve Jobs	Scottish Flag	
2nd December	7th December - Christmas Jumper Day; 7th December - Hanuka;	Progress Leader - Theme - Responsibility Careers - Year 11 NHS assembly	Progress Leaders Guest Speaker (Year 11)	Responsibility Year 7- Exploring honesty and humility Year 8 - Exercise and wellbeing Year 9 - Safety and Safeguarding Year 10 - Confidence vs Conceit Year 11 - Confidence vs Conceit	"Real integrity is doing the right thing, knowing that nobody's going to know whether you did it or not." Oprah Winfrey	Gateway Academy Flag	

9th December	15th December - Hanukkah end;	Risk/ STEER/ Mental Health and wellbeing Academic Awards Assembly Friday 13th December Year 11	MTS/TBT DZE	Year 7- Exploring honesty and humility Year 8 -Making and improvement plan Year 9 - Safety and Safeguarding Year 10 - Cultivating self worth Year 11 - Cultivating self worth	"When eating fruit, remember the one who planted the tree." Vietnamese Proverb	Gateway Academy Flag
16th December	25th December - Christmas;	Academic Awards Assemblies Monday 16th December Year 7 Tuesday 17th December Year 8 Wednesday 18th December Year 9 Thursday 19th December Year 10	Progress Leaders DZE	Rewards and Celebration/ Value Badges Year 7- Rewards Year 8 - Rewards Year 9 - Safety and Safeguarding Year 10 - Changing our community Year 11 - Changing our community	"Handle them carefully, for words have more power than atom bombs." Pearl Strachan Hurd	Gateway Academy Flag
End of term						
SPRING 1						
6th January		EBACC focus and options process	DZE	Year 7- Life in modern Britain Year 8 - Kindness and Compassion Year 9 - Making choices in year 9-11 Year 10 - Relationships Year 11 - Life after school	"Don't be in a hurry to condemn because he doesn't do what you do or think as you think or as fast. There was a time when you didn't know what you know today." Malcolm X	Gateway Academy Flag
13th January	15th January - Martin Luther King Day; 21st January World Religion day;	Progress Leader - Compassion Option subject presentations (DZE) Year 10 & 11 Careers Assembly - USP	Progress Leaders DZE	Compassion Year 7: What makes someone british? Year 8 - Exploring self-acceptance and perspective Year 9 - Making choices in year 9-11 Year 10 - Relationships Year 11 - Life after school	"Thou shalt not be a victim, thou shalt not be a perpetrator, but, above all, thou shalt not be a bystander." Yehuda Bauer	Gateway Academy Flag
20th January	25th January - Burns night;	Option subject presentations (DZE)	DZE	Year 7- What is equality and diversity? Year 8 - Exploring gratitude Year 9 - Making choices in year 9-11 Year 10 - Relationships Year 11 - Life after school	"The struggle you are in today is practicing the strength you need for tomorrow." Robert Tew	Gateway Academy Flag
27th January	27th January - Holocaust memorial day; 1st February - LGBTQ+ History Month; 4th February - Wold Cancer day; 4th February - Rosa Parks birthday	Year 11 PPEs - no assembly	Progress Leaders	Value Badges Year 7: What makes up our community? Year 8 - Exploring empathy and compassion Year 9 - Making choices in year 9-11 Year 10 - Relationships Year 11 - Life after school	"I think probably kindness is my number one attribute in a human being. I'll put it before any of the things like courage or bravery or generosity or anything else." – Roald Dahl.	Gateway Academy Flag
3rd February	4th February - Childrens mental health week; 6th February - International day of zero tolerance for female genital mutilation; 6th February - Safer Internet Day	Year 11 PPEs - no assembly External speaker assemblies - LGBTQ+	External speaker this week (MTS/TBT to arrange)	Year 7: What is prejudice and how does it effect people? Year 8 - Exploring honesty and humility Year 9 - Making choices in year 9-11 Year 10 - Relationships Year 11 - Life after school	"Empathy is seeing with the eyes of another, listening with the ears of another and feeling with the heart of another." Alfred Adler	Pride Flag
10th February		Progress Leader - Value awards	Progress Leaders	Rewards and Celebration/ Value Badges	"Let us remember: One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher	Pride Flag
Half term						
SPRING 2						
24th February	1st March - Womens History Month; 1st March - st Davids day;	VAWC (Internation womens day the following week/ womens histroy month) - Link to safeguarding	TBT	Year 7: British Values and Politics Year 8 - Aspirations and the world of work Year 9 - Law and Order Year 10 - Ethics and Ethical choices Year 11 - Exam prep	"Find out what you like doing best and get someone to pay you for doing it." — Katharine Whitehorn	Pride Flag
3rd March	7th March - World book day; 8th March - International womens day;	Progress Leader - Progress Leaders - Theme - Aspiration (International womens day) World Book Day Assembly Academic Awards Assembly - Friday 7th March Year 11	Progress Leaders World book day led by TRS	Aspiration Year 7: What see British Values Year 8 - What does it mean to be aspirational Year 9 - How does our Government work Year 10 - Medical ethics Year 11 - Exam prep	"The science of today is the technology of tomorrow." Edward Teller	Gateway Academy Flag
10th March	10th march - Mothers day; 14th March - Pi Day; 17th March - St Patricks Day	Domestic Violence / Consent	MOE	Year 7: What are the different types of political systems Year 8 - What makes a good role model? Year 9 - The criminal justice system Year 10 - Euthanasia Year 11 - Exam prep	"Courage is a special kind of knowledge: the knowledge of how to fear what ought to be feared and how not to fear what ought not to be feared." David Ben-Gurion	Gateway Academy Flag
17th March	18th March - National child exploitation awareness day; 21st March - International day for the elimination of racial discrimination; March - world poetry day	Progress Leader/ Science - A link to science. A lead from the Science Faculty to present part of the Assembly on Science	Progress Leaders Science team	Value Badges/ National Science week Year 7- Who can I vote of? Year 8 - What are role models important? Year 9 - Why do we have laws? Year 10 - Legal ethics Year 11 - Exam prep	"The science of today is the technology of tomorrow." Edward Teller	Gateway Academy Flag
24th March	25th March - Holi; 28th March - Maundy Thursday; 29th March - Good Friday	Imposter Syndrome - The feeling of not being good enough	IMI	Year 7: What is the EU and why did we leave? Year 8 - Why your peer group will predict your future Year 9 - What is life like in prison Year 10 - Political ethics Year 11 - Exam prep	"A true artist is not one who is inspired, but one who inspires others." Salvador Dali	Gateway Academy Flag
31st march		Progress Leader - Rewards	Progress Leaders	Value Badges		Gateway Academy Flag
End of term						