	Half-Term 2 (October through to Christmas)				
Department	Competition	Year Group	The Details	Staff contact	
PE	Indoor Rowing	All	Which House can row like Sir Steven Redgrave? Who will pull themselves to victory?	Mr Cherrington	
SLT	Chess	9,10,and 11	Who will 'check' and 'mate' their way through the tournament to become the SVC Chess master? Will you be crowned King or Queen of the school?	Mr Springthorpe	
Heads of House	Basketball Free throw		Shoot out competition. Which House can shoot like Lebron James? Are you a free throw genius? Most baskets wins.	Miss Underwood Mrs Patel	
DT	The Great Soar Valley Bake off	All years	Students will have 1 hour after school to create a small cake / cupcakes using their own recipe.	Miss Hope Ms Kilburn	
Heads of House	Pumpkin Carving		Can you carve a great pumpkin? You should submit your design to the relevant Heads of House. Send in a picture of your creation, with a short sentence describing the theme or person created.	Miss McLoughlin Mr Maggs	
Art	Christmas card competition.	All	Design a card to reflect Christmas and the meaning of the season. Can you make the artwork, design and greeting inside fantastically suitable for print. The winning design will be used for the College to send out to parents and our local community. Let's get creative.	Mrs Wilde	
Heads of House	Fire Works Safety Poster	All	With November the 5 <sup>th</sup> coming up, there are lots of key messages to help students stay safe. Design your poster and submit it your Associate Head of Year. The posters will be judged on their Fireworks safety message and artistic merit. Get your thinking hats on, light up that rocket and let your design take off.	Miss Wood Mr West Mr Patel	
Heads of House	Children in Need event (18 <sup>th</sup> Nov)	All	Which House will raise the most money? Who will have the craziest and wackiest ideas for the event? Get your House team together and start planning. If you're not part of the planning team, then make sure you are supporting your House to	Mr Springthorpe and Heads of House.	
Heads of House	Bake sale for Children in Need 18 <sup>th</sup> November	All	Charity bake sale - supporting our CiN really is a piece of cake. This year has left us all in knead of a little fun. So get your apron on, taking part is as easy as pie	Heads of House	
RE	Inspirational Photography	All	Do you have an eye for beauty, in the natural or human-made world? Show us what inspires your mind / soul / spirit with a fantastic photo!	Mr Thomas	
Science	KS3 Space Project	All	Who is going to Rocket their way to the top of leader board?	Mrs Yadav	

MFL - German	Chocolate bar design	8	Design a chocolate bar wrapper competition. Let's get creative and show your design skills with this Charlie and the	Mrs Simpkin
			Chocolate Factory activity. Who will be crowned the new Willy Wonker?	
Maths	Countdown	All	Test your wits and numeracy skills against each other in our annual House Countdown competition. There will be 5 rounds of the devilishly difficult numbers game, based on the famous Channel 4 TV gameshow. #inittowinit	Mr Louth Mr Patel
Music	Poster design	All	Design a poster around your favourite band, be creative and your work will be published in the Music rooms.	Miss Grainger Miss Tierney
Drama	Poster design	All	Show poster Our show is next half term and we cannot wait to see everyone and share how hard we have been working. We are looking for posters to advertise our show around school and that's where you come in! Design a poster for our show and see if we can feature yours! Collect specific information form Mrs Davison about what to include on your poster. Designs can be hand drawn or created on computer	Mrs Davison
Maths	Puzzle solving	All	Complete and solve the puzzle to enhance your House points.	Miss Hall
Heads of House	Football	All	Soccer am indoor football challenge	Mr Hatto Mr West
SLT	Staff Quiz	Staff	Which house will win the coveted Staff Quiz Champions trophy? Who will reign supreme this time round?	Mr MacDougall
MFL - German	Halloween story	8	Show off your creative writing skills in another language by writing a spooky Halloween story in French or German.	Mrs Simpkin
MFL - French	Christmas Competition	7	Get creative and show the traditions of Christmas in France and Germany.	Mrs Simpkin
Heads of House	Snowman building	All	Do you want to build a snowman? Using your imagination, let it go, let it go, let it go wild and create a snowman of distinctive quality.	Mr Patel Mr West
Heads of House	It's starting to look a lot like Christmas	All	Christmas door decorating competition linked to key themes.	Heads of House
Heads of House	Christmas Jumper competition	All	Which teacher has the best Christmas jumper – judged by the students	Mr Springthorpe

Half-Term 3 (January through to February Half term)				
Department	Competition	Year Group	The Details	Staff contact
PE	Matt Sliding	7-11	Sign up and recruit your squad ready to take on the challenge of mat surfing. 4 students per team. Who can Surf the Sports hall in the quickest time? How much momentum can you generate in one dive? Who will be crowned the fastest mat Surfers? Just bring your legs. Mr Hatto and Mr Dunstan	Mr Cherrington
Music	The Big Music Quiz	All	Test your musical knowledge with a classical pop note.	Miss Tierney
Heads of House				
Science	Rocket Re-entry Challenge		Your mission should you choose to accept it is to build a re-entry capsule for a precious cargo (an egg). You will have a limited range of materials provided and a set time limit to design, build and create your capsule.	Mrs Yadav
RE	Scavenger Hunt	All	Can you solve the clues and find the hidden relics and treasures?	Miss Barnett
English	Narrative writing competition		KS3 narrative week in February.  During this week you will be focusing on narrative writing and encouraged to enter a national competition. Let's get creative.	Miss Cockerill and Miss Charlton
Library	Harry Potter Quiz	All Inc. Staff	Would you like to be a wizard? Would you like to be a muggle in the wizarding world?  Venture into the library and test your wits.  Turn on your inner Hermione to the max!!!  Discover what the Sorting Hat has in store for you with this Harry Potter House quiz. Yay!	Miss Coding
IT	Safer Internet Poster Design	All	Further clarification to come.	Mr Osbourne
History –	Battle of Hasting Shield design	7-9	Create your own Saxon shield and take your place in the Shield Wall. We are looking for warriors from all houses to compete in this historic competition. Use old bits of cardboard, or any other material you have to hand to construct an authentic Saxon shield. Entries will be judged on their design, realism and decoration.	Mr Kelly
Heads of House	Cross Bar Challenge	All	We are delighted to introduce the brand new Cross Bar challenge competition, which will see all year groups trying to hit the cross bar from the edge of the penalty area to win points for their respective House.	Mr West Mr Patel Mr Springthorpe
Art	Me, myself and I	All	What makes you, you? Create a self-portrait in any style and material of your choice. Creativity is key, how will you express yourself?	Mrs Wilde

Half-Term 4 (February through to Easter)				
Department	<b>Competition</b> Yea		The Details	Staff contact
		Group		
PE	Mixed Badminton	All	Who can smash their way to victory?	Mr Hatto
Heads of House	The Endurance Challenge	All	Test your endurance with the Bleep Test. Only Soar Valleys toughest of mind and hearts of a lion will win. Will we find the next Mo Farah or Paula Radcliffe	Miss McLoughlin Mr Maggs
Heads of House	Penalty Shoot Out	All	Can you beat the Heads of House with a Rabona, no look strike or the Pogba stutter?	Mrs Patel, Miss Underwood Miss Wood
Drama	Monologue Competition	All	You will need to select and perform a monologue for an audience.	Mrs Davison
Heads of House	Comic Relief	All	Fundraiser – who can raise the most money for our chosen charities?	Heads of House
Science (Science week)	The big poster competition	All	Create a poster for a national entry. See the bulletin for further details.	Science Team
History	Eggstravaganza	All	Use an egg to recreate a significant historical figure.	Mr Kelly
Geography		All		Mrs Boyle
Citizenship and PSHE	Debating	7-8	Two competitions.  Debating matters because ideas matter. This is the premise of the Debating Matters	Mrs Raja
		And	Competition, which emphasises substance, not just style, and the importance of taking ideas seriously. Topical debates and a	
		9-11	challenging format will push your thinking to a new level. Are you ready to challenge yourself? Can you think on your feet and counter a point made by the opposition?	
ΙΤ	Treasure Hunt	All	Find and discover the famous faces of the computer world as you hunt around the school solving the cryptic clues that have been left behind.	Mr Osborne
DT	Design a garment out of newspaper	7-9	You will need a team of 4 people to design and make a paper outfit, fitting it to the mannequin. Who will be the next fashionista? Who will create the next fashion icon?	Miss Parsons and Miss Hope
Maths	Puzzlemania	All	Solve the maths puzzle	Miss Hall
MFL	Carnival Competition	9	Become a fashion designer and create some pieces showing the traditional costumes of Mardi Gras and Fasching.	Mrs Simpkin

Half-Term 5 (April through to June half term)					
Department	Competition	Year Group	The Details	Staff contact	
PE	Tennis	All	What event is quintessential to the English summer than Wimbledon? Pick up your racket, who will be shouting "game, set, match"?	Mr Springthorpe Miss Wood Mr West Mr Patel	
Heads of House	Rubiks Cube Challenge	All	Twist it, turn it, spin it, fold it but just get the colours to stick that's how you win with a Rubik.	Miss Underwood Mrs Patel	
Heads of House	Connect 4 tournament	All	Four in a row! That's easy I hear you cry. Then why not come along and give it a try.	Miss McLoughlin Mr Maggs	
RE	Poster competition	All	Design a poster focusing on tolerance and respect that could be used in school to promote these values.	Miss Kamutaundi	
Maths	Puzzlemania	All	Can you solve the puzzle on the wall in T-Block?	Miss Hall	
Heads of House	Basketball Free throw		Shoot out competition. Which House can shoot like Lebron James? Are you a free throw genius? Most baskets wins.	Mr West Mr Patel	
Heads of House	Penalty Shoot Out	All	Can you beat Mrs Patel, Miss Suchak or Miss Wood with a Rabona, no look strike or the Pogba stutter?	Miss Wood Mr Hatto	
Heads of House	Creative Drawing		Draw a picture on a post it note. Express yourself with a handmade sketch - a picture is worth 1000 words! Use the drawing option on sticky notes to create unique illustrations or hand draw it.	Mr Maggs	

Half-Term 6 (June through to July)				
Department	Competition	Year Group	The Details	Staff contact
Heads of House	Indoor Curling	9	Who will be on target and take the win?	Heads of House (all)
PE	Tug of War	All	This competition pits two teams against	Mr Cherrington
			each other in a test of pure strength.	66
			Which House will pull itself to victory	
			with raw power?	
IT	Calligraphy		Handwriting is an art form, using brush	Miss Matharu
			lettering, modern calligraphy or faux	
			calligraphy let us see what designs you	
			can produce using a mixture of these	
			skills.	
Geography	Bake Off		'Bake off' style cake baking competition.	
			Design a cake that represents a country	Mrs Boyle
			of your choice. How creative can you	
			be? Will you take home a slice of the points?	
Maths	Puzzlemania	All	Solve the problems	Miss Hall
SLT	Uno	All	Who will be crowned the grand	SLT
JLI	0110	7.11	champion of the card game we all love	JL1
			to play? Pick up 2, miss a go but be	
			careful if you reverse it as you may get	
			clobbered with a plus 4.	
Photography	Photography		What inspires you? What natural	Mrs Wilde
			beauty can you draw inspiration from in	
			the local community? The best	
			photograph taken that captures our	
			amazing nature, or architecture for	
			example will be crowned photographer	
			of the year.	
MFL	Tourist	9	Make a tourist information booklet on a	Mrs Simpkin
	information		region of France/Germany - best	
NACI.		7	booklet per teaching group.	Mara Circa alvira
MFL		7	Can you get creative and describe a day in the life of a student at a French or	Mrs Simpkin
			German school? Use your language	
			skills to tell a story, Write a poem or	
			sing a song or show your artistic skills by	
			making a model – the choice is yours.	
PE	House Sports	7-10	Who will emerge victorious in the end	Mr Cherrington
	Day		of year school sports day? Can anyone	
			defeat House Victoria, our current	
			reigning sports day champions?	
Heads of House	End of year quiz	All	Let the games. Answer the questions	Heads of House
			correctly to win a pot of gold or a	
			chance to take some from another	
			forms stash. Who will earn the most	
			gold and conquer all other form groups.	
			Let your gold quest commence	