



## Summer Holiday Learning Activities for Year 8

Congratulations on completing a very successful second year at Kelmscott. You have worked hard and met our high expectations. We want you to have a well-deserved break and to ensure that you find some time to complete the activities listed below. Keeping your mind active and engaged in a range of ways will ensure you return to us ready for a stimulating and rigorous third year at Kelmscott School. Please complete all tasks in the journal provided.

1. Read at least three books from the list attached, which can be also found on our website and your local libraries.
  - a. Choose one to write a book review on where you outline how the protagonists/antagonists are brought to life, the author's style of writing and most gripping moments in the story.
  - b. It is always useful keeping a dictionary close by when reading to help with deepening your understanding.
2. London is known as one of the cultural capitals of the world. There are over 500 museums alone in our capital city along with an array of free exhibitions and events. Please visit the following websites to plan a visit over the summer break with a family member or guardian. Some possible ideas include the Nelson Mandela Centenary exhibition at Southbank, the many free galleries at the British Museum or a walking art tour of a new part of the city. Once you have completed your visit, please write up to 200 words on your visit and what interested you most.
  - a. [www.southbank.co.uk](http://www.southbank.co.uk)
  - b. [www.timeout.com/london](http://www.timeout.com/london)
  - c. [www.visitlondon.com](http://www.visitlondon.com)
  - d. [www.secretldn.com/free-things-to-do-in-london/](http://www.secretldn.com/free-things-to-do-in-london/)
3. Your final activity is a choice between writing a film/documentary review or capturing your favourite five moments from the summer break.
  - a. Film/documentary review – outline the title and the director/team behind the production. What inspired them to make this? Write a summary of the plot and key questions the audience are left pondering at different moments. Why should other young people watch this?
  - b. Capturing your favourite five moments – this is a creative piece where you are free to present these special chapters from your holiday in any way you would like. Some suggestions for you include; a series of photographs, drawings, podcasts, poetry, essay etc. etc.