

Preparing for Adulthood: Independent Living**Skills for Life**

This term we are learning about managing own money.

Students will develop their understanding of the concept of money and income and practice using money in the community.

All students will learn about the value of coins and notes and choose the correct money to pay for an item, applying this in the community.

Some students will be developing their understanding of budgeting and put together a weekly budget including a meal plan, think about their own income and other expenses.

Food Technology

All students will have weekly practical cooking sessions this term. Within these lessons, students will be following recipes, measuring ingredients and using a range of kitchen equipment to create both savoury and sweet dishes and snacks.

This term all students will be cooking a range of simple snacks and meals to develop confidence and independence in the kitchen. This includes: welsh rarebit and egg salad alongside other smaller snacks at the Hive.

Some students will be cooking main meals in preparation for their cooking assessments and will have theory lessons to learn about food safety and hygiene, planning nutritious meals and shopping for ingredients.

Ways you can help your child:

- Create opportunities for students to manage money in the community.
- Encourage students to cook at home. This could be making their own drinks and snacks or supporting cooking larger meals.
- Talk about the different equipment and ingredients used in the kitchen what are they for? Why do we use them or eat them?

Preparing for Adulthood: Health**Physical Education**

In PE this term, students will be developing our cardiovascular fitness including taking part in fitness style sessions, learning about the importance of cardiovascular exercise and taking part in low impact PE sessions in the community.

Some students will also develop leadership skills through leading activities in PE lessons and helping to plan different exercises for areas of the body or areas of fitness. Students will also have opportunities to learn about the effects of exercise of their bodies and how to maintain healthy lifestyles.

Duke of Edinburgh

This term in Duke of Edinburgh lessons, we are working towards the volunteering section of the award. Students will be going to Clare Country Park each week where they will be working on a range of different jobs such as fence painting, tree planting, maintaining and clearing paths.

Ways you can help your child:

- Discuss ways to develop fitness levels and improve cardiovascular fitness in and around the home.
- Encourage students to explore different ways to keep fit and healthy outside of school

Preparing for Adulthood: Employment

English

This term we are reading a range of poems with the theme 'world and lives'.

Over the term, we will be reading 'Name journeys' by Raman Mundair, 'A portable paradise' by Roger Robinson and 'With Birds You're Never Lonely' by Raymond Antrobus. While reading, we will complete a range of activities and tasks to improve our comprehension and understanding of topic words.

Students will also complete different writing tasks based on the book and practice newspaper reports.

To develop our functional reading, students will also be practicing and performing poems of their choice and discussions about each poem to identify and understand topic words used. Some students will begin to analyse poetic techniques used in our chosen poems and begin to use these techniques in their own writing.

Maths

Our topic this term in Maths is number, addition and subtraction

This includes working with numbers up to either 20,100 or 1000, numbers will increase depending on levels and they will be able to recognise and use +, - and = symbols. Some students will begin working with decimals including adding and subtracting numbers up to 2 decimal places.

After half term, we will be learning about fractions, decimals and percentages.

Students will continue working with numbers up to either 20,100 or 1000 in a range of contexts and formats including finding fractions of amounts (1/2, 1/4)

Some students will use decimals in a range of contexts including to solve real life scenarios or problems.

Computing

In our Computing lessons, we will be focusing on understanding online bullying and the importance of using technology safely, respectfully, and responsibly. Students will learn how to protect their online identity and privacy, including creating strong passwords, recognizing secure websites, and managing personal information. We will also discuss the impact of online bullying, how to respond appropriately, and where to seek help if needed. These lessons aim to empower pupils to make positive choices online, stay safe in digital environments, and use technology in a way that promotes kindness and respect.

World of work

Our world of work topic this term is working with others. This will take place in our enterprise lessons as part of Sixth Form Prom fundraising.

As part of this unit, we will be learning about how to work well with others in a workplace. All students will take part in a group project which will be planned as a group and reflected on throughout the term.

Students will have opportunities to reflect on their own skills and skills within a group and evaluate what went well/less well in their project.

Ways you can help your child:

- Encourage students to read books of their choice at home to promote a pleasure for reading. When reading, engage in discussions about what you have read such as what has happened already? What is your favourite part and why? What might happen next? Can you describe a character in the book in your own words? Support children to use language to describe directions, position and movement.
- Work together to solve simple sums using + and – where possible, check the best method to use such as physical manipulatives or written methods with the class team.
- Support students by discussing the importance of online safety, encouraging respectful behaviour online, and helping them set strong passwords and privacy settings on their devices.
- Talk about the workplace and the skills people need to have when working with others. Find opportunities in the home and community to develop those skills including working in a pair/group or asking for help.

Preparing for Adulthood: Community Inclusion**Religious Education and Cultural Development**

School values collaboration as a key principle in supporting cultural development. Working together allows students to share ideas, respect different viewpoints, and learn from one another's experiences. Through group projects, discussions, and community activities, pupils develop teamwork skills while appreciating the richness of diverse cultures. Collaboration helps create an inclusive environment where everyone feels valued and empowered to contribute, fostering a sense of belonging and mutual respect across our school community.

PSHE

Sexual health is an important part of overall wellbeing and focuses on understanding our bodies, relationships, and making informed choices. In PSHE, we learn about topics such as consent, contraception, preventing sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and the importance of respect and communication in relationships. These lessons help students develop the knowledge and confidence to make safe, responsible decisions and understand where to seek advice and support. By promoting positive attitudes and healthy behaviours, we aim to empower young people to protect their physical and emotional health.

Enrichment and enterprise

This term, all students are taking part in an enterprise project this term. We are raising money for the Sixth Form Prom in July.

After half term, students will take part in an enrichment project choosing and watching programmes as a group. Students will be able to share their interests with their peers and take part in discussions about what we like about programmes we and others watch.

Community Visits

This term, our community visits will be focussing on managing money in our community. We will visit a range of shops to explore the setting and develop our money skills. We will also have opportunities to continue to develop other skills through visits to the local shops and physical sessions on the Abington recreation ground.

Travel Training

We will be starting travel training sessions for all students this term and this will continue throughout the year. Students will have opportunities to use the public bus to visit other villages and towns and use the facilities and shops before returning to the Hive. These sessions will be supported by adults, while encouraging independence, time management and problem solving for students.

Ways you can help your child:

- You can support their child by encouraging teamwork at home, promoting respectful communication, and providing opportunities for shared decision-making to reinforce the school value of collaboration
- You can help by creating an open and honest environment where their child feels comfortable asking questions, and by discussing age-appropriate information about healthy relationships, consent, and personal safety
- When using any public transport, encourage students to support with planning including routes and timings