

Woodlawn Post 16

Group A

Spring A Curriculum Newsletter



PSD

This term students will complete the module 'Managing Own Money' as part of their PSD ASDAN qualification. Students will evaluate different forms of transactions and then provide proof of carrying out some transactions themselves. During our life skill sessions we will complete the unit 'Food Safety around the Home and Community'. Students will learn about food safety in practical context focusing on the importance of cleaning and storing food correctly. We will also cook and prepare a range of meals and snacks.

Community Learning

This half term the group will be travelling in the local area using the metro for public transport where possible. We will also walk in the local area if weather is permitting. Students are encouraged to buy their own lunch when we are out to foster independence and communication skills.

GCSE Science

Pupils will further their understanding of the heart, blood vessels and blood including the white blood cells. They will develop their knowledge of communicable and non-communicable diseases. This will include learning about the infection response of the body, how lifestyle can affect these diseases in humans and how vaccinations, antibiotics and painkillers can help fight these diseases.

GCSE Literacy

This half term we will be concentrating on the section B sections of both paper 1 and paper 2—these are the extended writing elements of writing both fiction and non-fiction texts for a specific audience.

ICT Functional skills

This half term students will be working on a unit: Working with text and images. They will develop skills and knowledge in how to create and prepare text, work with tables and how to select and edit images.

GCSE Maths

This half term students will continue working on Algebra covering topics on simplifying expressions and factorising equations. We will then move onto Geometry working on angles. Students will learn to apply the properties of angles, understand and use alternate and corresponding angles on parallel lines and derive and use the sum of angles in a triangle.

Creative

This half term students will create a 'Words I live by Collage' learning about various techniques to present their work creatively. We will then pick up the topic of clay modelling again and learn how to use this medium to create sculptures based on a nature theme.

Sport in the Community

This half term pupils will continue to improve their fitness and stamina visiting the Lakeside centre in Killingworth. Students will have a choice to either Swim or visit the Gym where they will use various cardiovascular and weight equipment independently. North Tyneside staff is available at the Lakeside to advise students on workout programmes.



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Group B

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PSD

This half term students will complete the unit 'Managing own money', students learn about income and expenditure and how to budget their money. As part of this students will have opportunities to manage some money transactions.

Community Learning

In the new year Group B will continue to travel and explore the local community. We will use public transport and visit Whitley Bay, Cullercoats and Tynemouth. Where we will be visiting various cafes and exploring the town centres and continuing to develop our independent skills.

Sport in the Community



In sports we will continue to take advantage of the local coast line and continue to focus on walking this half term. Weather permitting. If the weather is too bad we will look at classroom based activities such as a yoga or dance.

ICT

This term students will learn a range of techniques to create stop-frame animations using tablets. They will then create story-based animations and learn how to add media and music to them.

Creative Arts

This half term students will learn about collages. They will create a 'Words I live by Collage' leaning about various techniques to present their work creatively. They will then create a collage of themselves or an animal as well as creating collages from found materials.

Literacy/ Communication

In English this term we are going to be learning about Myths and legends. We will read and interpret a range of texts and look at how we can engage audiences and have a different effect by using language, structure and different styles of texts.

Students will also be looking at how we use literacy out in the community such as reading signs and symbols as well as looking at social communication.

Numeracy

During this half term we will begin to look at shape, space and measure. We will identify a range of different shapes, introducing 3D. Then we will begin calculating and solving problems involving: perimeter and area. We will also be looking at how we use maths outside in the community such as money, reading timetables and planning visits out.

Enterprise

We will continue with our B Stars Café this term as it is getting busier and busier each week. Students will continue with jobs they have chosen so they can develop their skills further. They will be looking at how they can improve the café such as revamping the menu, table service and offering specials each week. We have also acquired a working cash register so everyone will get the chance to take payments and work on their money skills.

Living independently

In the new year we will continue to work on preparing for the café in independent living. We will look at the pre-orders we have for the café as well as (stock takes) to help us write a shopping list before visiting the supermarket and buying what we need. We will then prepare all the food in school and set up the café ready for the next day.

