

Woodlawn Post 16

Spring A Curriculum Newsletter

Class 15



English

Students will have the chance to develop skills in English and continue the Equals course in English. All pupils will have the chance to read a range of texts and make comments and analysis about them. Students, with Claire, study the fiction text 'The amazing story of Adolphus Tips' by Michael Morpurgo and complete tasks linked to the chapters we read e.g. writing about what will happen next in the story and writing a book review at the end of the half term.

Maths

Maths in the community – money. Students will extend their ability to recognise British coins and notes. Through a range of practical activities, including in the community and when paying for their items from the cafe, students will use coins and notes to buy items and then check the change they receive. They will also identify and use other ways we can pay for items e.g. Go Henry or Revolut cards. They will also further their knowledge of budgets and practise budgeting for snacks and gifts for others.

PSD

Students will further their understanding of puberty and its effects on the male and female bodies. Pupils will join in discussions about the ways male and female bodies change over time including which of these changes are the same and which are different. They will also further their knowledge of why these changes happen. The school nurses will join in some of our sessions to answer any questions the students have.

Community Learning

This half term the group will be travelling in the local area using the metro or the schools' Minibus. Students will be involved in choosing where they wish to visit; plan the route and journey there supported by class staff. Students will get the chance to bring in some money to buy their lunch or a healthy snack if they wish and practice their money skills. The weather will still be cold so we will need a coat and hat in order to feel as comfortable as possible during our time away from school.

Science

Students will further their knowledge of solids and liquids as well as pure substances and mixtures. They will order instructions and then follow these to carry out practical activities to make mixtures. They will also carry out filtering, evaporation and chromatography experiments to separate a range of mixtures. They will further their understanding of the conditions needed for materials to change state by freezing, melting, condensing and evaporating water.

Sport in the Community

This half term students will continue to improve their fitness and stamina by walking in the local area. Students will also have the option to visit one of the local Leisure Centres where students can use the cardiovascular machines including the treadmill, bike, cross trainer and rowing machine.

Humanities - Geography

Students will be extending their knowledge of seas, rivers and lakes. They will identify the features of seas, rivers and lakes and they will identify local seas, rivers and lakes. They will further their understanding of how these bodies of water are habitats for plants and animals and how cruise ships and fishing boats use these bodies of water to make a living.

Creative

Students will learn about the history of Optical Art and focus on key pieces by famous artists such as M C Escher and Bridget Riley. Students will learn how to create optical illusions using simple shapes and patterns. Students will learn about tessellation, transformation and explore bold contrasting colours. Students will produce their own Optical artwork.

