

Curriculum Newsletter
Autumn Term Second Half
Maple and Birch

English In English we are focusing on writing letters and leaflets while continuing with reading. The focus book for this half term will continue to be 'If only we had a Helicopter' by Roger McGough. We will still focus on the story, the themes covered and the characters.
Maths The topic in maths for this half term is addition and subtraction we will also continue to work on number.
Catering The topic for this term is 'Christmas is coming.' The focus for the students is planning and preparing a simple meal. They will look at different options, ingredients and quantities needed. They will then prepare the food.
Horticulture Students will look at the different tools and skills needed to grow food in the allocated areas around school. They will learn how to plant things and then how to pick them when they have grown. Student will look at which food is best to sell when it is picked and which to make into other foods before sale.
Art Students will be drawing or painting for a street art and graffiti project. This will ultimately be shown at an exhibition in school.
Computing - Passports Students will look at how to be safe when on-line including what information not to share with people you don't know, who to tell if they are unsure and what type of information to trust. Students will then work towards creating their leavers passports ready for the leaver's assembly at the end of the school year.
RSE The theme for this term is respectful relationships. Students will explore different type of relationships with family and friends ,how they fit into the different groups and the different roles played withing the groups.
Creative Arts Students will take part in different types of music and dance learning about different aspects of these activities.
Work Related Learning This takes place on a Thursday and students take part in different work-related activities some in school and some where pupils are out for the day. Students will be visiting Nineveh care farm which is a working farm for young people with additional needs, Hawbush Community Gardens where students work on their allotment, and Baggeridge Park where they maintain the pathways and growing areas in the high ropes course area. In school, pupils take part in Enterprise where the make items which are sold at different school events.
Preparation for Adulthood Students will be involved in catering, community engagement and the Pens Meadow Challenge which are a variety of activities designed to engage and challenge all pupils building on their life skills.