

<p><b>English</b></p> <p>In our English lessons, one group will look at 'Wind in the Willows'. This book follows the adventures of four animal friends; Mole, Rat, Badger, and Toad as they navigate life on the riverbank and the surrounding English countryside</p> <p>Another group will be exploring 'The dog that saved the world (cup)' a heart-warming story from a dog's perspective about Elsie and her father's struggles with poverty and potential homelessness, which are compounded when Elsie's team has their dream of playing at Wembley shattered</p>	<p><b>Maths</b></p> <p>This term some students will start by learning about spatial reasoning. We will learn about number through the Counting Song of the Month and related activities.</p>	<p><b>RE</b></p> <p>What do I believe? is the title of our RE topic. We'll learn about what being respectful means both generally as well as how to be respectful linked to different religions.</p> <p>This will include how to be respectful in different places of worship.</p> <p>We plan to visit a local place of worship as part of this topic.</p>
<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>During PE lessons, the students will continue to develop a range of skills linked to Football such as attack and defence. They will learn about warming up their bodies before physical activities and teamwork.</p> <p>In addition to this they will learn about simple hygiene routines and getting dressed for the session.</p>	<p><b>Curriculum Newsletter</b>  <b>Autumn Term 2025 Assessment Window 1</b>  <b>Birch Class</b></p> 	<p><b>Preparation for Adulthood and Work-Related Learning</b></p> <p>Please check your young person's timetable to see which lesson they will be taking part in this half term.</p> <p>Preparation for Adulthood sessions include a range of activities such as Music, Swimming, Art, Home Cooking and Travel Training.</p> <p>Work Related Learning sessions rotate and may include: The Farm, Baggeridge, Kingswood, Catering &amp; Hospitality — including Snack Cafe, Hawbush Gardens Discover U , Forest School, library and admin.</p>
<p><b>Pens Meadow Challenge</b></p> <p>Throughout the Pens Meadow challenge, students will choose which new challenges to take part in — students will choose as part of the process in the first week back before engaging in their chosen challenges before reflecting on their experiences.</p>	<p><b>Year 14</b></p> <p>This term, in addition to PfA &amp; WRL opportunities, some of the students will attend college to work towards their award in hair and beauty skills. In OCR Art the pupils will be exploring the topic of street art and graffiti with the focus of Banksy. We will continue to build on life skills in all aspects of our daily life. In RSE, we will be learning about respectful behaviour. Pupils will name commonly experienced emotions and discuss what triggers these. They will identify emotions in others and suggest ways to help others.</p>	<p><b>Science</b></p> <p>Living things and their habitats, with a focus on food chains and different sources of food, is our Science focus. After sorting animals and plants and looking at the parts of plants that are edible, we'll then focus on learning about food chains, matching animals to the foods they eat. Producers, predators, habitats and environment will be key to our learning. We will also learn that a habitat is where animals live and that animals obtain their food from plants and other animals.</p>
<p><b>Horticulture</b></p> <p>In Horticulture this half the focus will be planting, copping and maintenance. This unit builds upon pupils' horticulture knowledge and skills gained through MUP. Planting, copping and maintenance will continue through key stages 4 and 5 enabling year 14 to create enterprise projects.</p> <p>The pupils will identify a range of tools. They will choose the correct tools for a task and be able to identify what plants need to grow (water and light). Pupils will understand that for plants to grow well the soil needs to be carefully prepared.</p>	<p><b>Music</b></p> <p>This term in music the pupils will be learning 'Sea Shanties'. Sea Shanties were sung by pirates and sailors when they were at sea to keep morale high on the ship. Sea Shanties were songs sung whilst doing repetitive jobs on ships. They helped the pirates and sailors complete the jobs at the correct speed. The 'Shantyman' would sing the song.</p>	