

<p>English</p> <p>In our English lessons, one group will look at 'The Storm Whale'. This is the story of a lonely little boy, a whale washed up on a beach and a friendship that will change both their lives forever. The focus for the writing in this group is a recount through a letter to grandparents. Another group will continue 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. This group will work towards creating a persuasive poster to ask adults to bring dry food in that we can donate to the food bank.</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>This half term pupils will be moving onto learning about Shape. They will explore objects and shapes and some students will begin to identify the characteristics of given shapes. We will learn about number through the Counting Song of the Month and related activities.</p>	<p>PSHE</p> <p>This half term, pupils will be learning about 'My Changing Body – personal hygiene'.</p> <p>The students will develop an understanding of what personal hygiene is. We will describe some of the changes that will take place for boys and girls and they will learn how they should be washing their bodies and why this is important. We will also learn about different types of deodorant.</p>	
<p>PE</p> <p>During PE lessons, the students will develop a range of skills linked to Basketball such as teamwork, movement into space, dribbling and shooting. They will learn about warming up their bodies before physical activities and teamwork.</p> <p>In addition to this, students will learn about simple hygiene routines and getting dressed for the session.</p>	<p>Curriculum Newsletter</p> <p>Autumn Term 2025 Assessment window 2</p> <p>Birch Class</p> 		<p>Preparation for Adulthood and Work-Related Learning</p> <p>Please check your young person's timetable to see which activities 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 & Hospitality – including Snack Cafe, Hawbush Gardens, Discover U , Forest School, library and admin.</p>
<p>Pens Meadow Challenge</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.</p>	<p>Year 14</p> <p>This term, some of the students will continue to attend Halesowen 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>Forest School Maintenance</p> <p>In Forest School Maintenance pupils will be supervised to safely use a variety of tools to keep our forest school area well maintained.</p> <p>During these sessions, students and staff from Old Park will join us in our maintenance activities.</p>	<p>Parents Evening</p> <p>We are looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible for our parent's evening this half term, which will be held on Tuesday 2nd December between the hours of 4-6pm. This will be a great opportunity to share some of the fantastic learning and successes your children have had so far this year as well as updating their documentation together. We look forward to seeing you!</p>	<p>Computing</p> <p>Pupils will understand and follow the school computing safety values. They will begin to explain how digital devices function and identify input and output devices. They will recognise how digital devices can change the way that we work and explain how a computer network can be used to share information.</p>	