

U6 Homework Ideas

Welcome back to the new academic year! We already have lots of activities planned, starting our work experience in the community at Thoresby Park with Ranger Rich, Team Enterprise making lunches for staff (and hopefully a profit!) and working with the local colleges to start transition for the students leaving us this year, and introducing the students new to P16 to possible colleges and the options available to them.

English

We will be working on AIM Functional Skills accreditation. We will be developing skills in reading fiction and non-fiction text and finding information, writing sentences and using correct punctuation and grammar. We will be working on our speaking and listening skills and working as a group through Team Challenge. We plan to continue to visit the local library regularly to borrow books to read in class.

- Answer questions about text they have read at home
- Read lots of different types of text – web pages, newspapers, magazines, timetables
- Talk about the different ways information is presented
- Lots of opportunities to talk about things they have read or experienced

Maths

We will be working on AIM Functional Skills accreditation. We will be focusing on calculation skills, counting, adding and subtracting in lots of different contexts. We will be collecting data and using this to answer questions and create tables and graphs, including creating simple spreadsheets. We will also be recognising different coins and notes, adding shopping lists, working out change and managing simple budgets.

- Recognise all the uses of numbers in the environment
- Counting money/ coins when out shopping and working out cost and change needed
- Calculations in different contexts – baking, cooking meals, measuring drinks
- Look for use of data in the media – recent medal tables in papers, weather charts on TV, bus timetables

Accreditation

We will continue our CoPE (Certificate of Personal Effectiveness) accreditation and introduce it to students who are new to our class. This accreditation suits the Post16 curriculum as it fosters independence and develops skills that are useful for college and beyond. We will be continuing our Work Experience and Team Enterprise, favourites with the students, and introducing new topics. One topic is International Links, where we will be learning about other countries and cultures, and researching places around the world. We will also be following the Independent Living unit, learning how to budget for household bills, how to read laundry labels to make sure clothes are washed properly and preparing simple meals that are healthy and follow a balanced diet.

- Talk about household bills and methods that can be used to pay for them
- Help with the laundry, recognising the difference in labels and washing temperatures for different materials

SMSC/ Careers

We will be developing our awareness of drugs and alcohol, and recognising the effect these can have on the human body. We will also be talking about medicines available from the doctors and supermarkets, and how to use these and store these safely.

We will be learning about our skills and how we can use them in the world of work. We will develop our interview skills, which will also be useful for college applications, and learn how to use the internet and job sites to find available opportunities.

Travel training will be continuing with students, developing their ability to get out and about in the community using public transport. There will also be the opportunity for individual work experience for the students, which will be arranged within the class team.

Here's to another fantastic term!

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