

ASHLEY DOWN COLLEGE-Term 4

2017-18 POST-16 TRANSITION CLASS

English- Students will be entering course and exam work at the level appropriate to their ability. We will make sure we put in some 'fun' work for them to do, so that it is not all about exams.

At Home -Find out how their hobbies use English. For example: football match reports, 'gaming' instructions, social media-texting and speaking.

Maths- *Students will be entering course and exam work in maths too.* Miss Capel will continue to focus on areas 'the students 'tricky' areas.

At Home- Consider how maths plays a part in all our lives, from the price of a newspaper, distance to see family to time it takes to cook a meal.

Gym- The students will continue to do the gym but alongside this ***we will work with Bristol Rugby club under Kris Tavender. He will be helping them to develop their physical awareness through rugby.*** Rest assured it is all safe and well managed.

At Home- Students are getting fitter but some find it difficult to manage their weight. Support them in understanding what they are eating from nutrition and calories to additives and fats.

Personal Project- Students continue to pick units around their interests with a further focus on relevance in the potential working futures.

At Home- Talk to them about what they want to do and see if there are opportunities you can help them take advantage of, such as visiting places.

Cooking- This term Year 13 will be the ones in the cooking room. Mr McKenna will be making the students do some meal cooking in pairs, on top of cooking as a team. ***The group will cook for the whole class at the end of term so all need the £2.50 for the ingredients.***

At Home- Give students the task of doing all the clearing and cleaning up after a family meal. It will help as they prepare for their future.

Community Access- The students all love this day. It is a significant social event in many of students' week. We also have ***one student doing work experience on this day in a local charity shop, which is going well.***

At Home- I discovered that membership to the RWA costs only £15 a year to see all exhibitions. ***Please research what other opportunities exist so that it can be shared in the group for future plans.***

Art- The self Portrait project continues. Students are learning about unusual techniques and the 'gridding' method to develop their drawing skills. These are useful in helping with their 'fine motor skills.

At Home- Some drawing apps exist that can be used on tablets or smart phones. ***David Hockney, an important British artist uses the Ipad to create wonderful colourful images.***

Short Term Outcomes- These have become a once a term thing. However, it remains important that we consider them as the EHCP, where they come from, continues to gain in importance in all the students' lives.

At Home- Go through the EHCP with them so that all of you can be reminded of the targets in them.

Volunteer Work- Year 12 will be on the allotments this term. There are plants to move, beds to repair and the chance of doing ***work with Bristol Parks to support their ambitions in making our parks remain important to all our communities.***

At Home- Helping a neighbour or a family friend is always a positive thing to do.

ICT- The march of IT continues with Mr McKenna and as the brochure project draws to an end he will be planning something new to develop the students' ICT skills.

At Home- As you use the internet to search for improved utility deals, do so with the students. This part of our lives has become essential as we all look to make our finances stretch further.