

## Core signs for our topic this term.



Our topic this term is 'Healthy Mind', here are some related signs for you to practice.

Christmas

celebration

Slide right hand over back of left hand towards body, then close right hand and place on back of left hand



Autumn

Winter



Don't forget to say the words as you sign!



Amethyst  
Class  
Information  
for parents

Term 2



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Our Theme this Term: Events

Regular events:

**Wednesday:** Preparation for Adulthood small group activities both on and off-site. These could include the local and wider communities.

**Options** - Student have chosen they would subject linked to Careers to study on Thursdays. If your child has chosen an outdoor activity, please ensure that appropriate footwear and clothing is brought in each week.

**Friday:** Enrichment (pm) - All students are given a choice of activities including art, music, gym, park or golf. The emphasis here is on well-being and enjoyment. Please ensure that your child either wears or brings in the appropriate clothing for their chosen activity. Through the year there will be a range of different activities on offer.

**General Information**

Students are now well versed in the daily routines in Amethyst Class. Each morning the students arrive and select an Early Work activity and have time to make a drink and have some toast if required prior to lessons starting. Break times are 10.15-10.30 and 12.00-1.00. During break times students are able to go outside or to a number of areas with the building to meet with friends.

**Homework and contact**

Thank you for using the Home/School Journals. The comments we receive help us to understand and support your young person. Reading or sharing a book or magazine or article of interest with your child every night or as often as possible, will really improve their literacy. Please, also ensure that they have the appropriate clothing (with name label) for activities.

## English

Students will continue to develop their spoken and written communication and will be working towards their English Functional Skills qualifications. There are three elements to English Functional Skills which include Speaking & Listening, Writing and Reading. Students are developing all three strands across all areas of the curriculum.

In Term Two the students work will be focussed on developing their knowledge of the world, critical thinking, communication, and media literacy skills, preparing them to engage with real-world issues.



## ASDAN

Students in Amethyst Class have been working hard on their ASDAN portfolios and are well on their way to completing the first two units for employability this term.

## Maths

Our Maths curriculum is now focussed on developing Functional Skills as we build towards developing independence.

Students will be studying towards Entry Level 2, Entry Level 3, Level 1 and Level 2 qualifications. Maths lessons take place four times each week. Students sit Functional Skills examinations in April if appropriate.



## Enrichment

This term students will continue with their choice of Art, Music, the park, golf (driving range) or the gym. In January we will be offering dance (street/cheer), Meapa Gym, park, music and art. Please ensure that your young person brings the appropriate clothing & footwear.

## Work Experience

All students in Amethyst Class are taking part in work experience. We currently have one student attending at a local nursery and other students taking part in the Gravesham Borough Council STREET CHAMPIONS project. Students have been assigned with a variety of roles and complete their work experience diary after each session, giving consideration to what went well and any difficulties and challenges that arose, with a view to finding suitable solutions.



The Pop Up shop is being successfully managed between the classes with Amethyst Class taking the lead on the finances and stock ordering.

## Preparing for Adulthood

This subject encompasses many of the subjects we will be studying including Food Technology, Enrichment, Enterprise and Careers. We aim to provide a range of opportunities to get out and take part in the local community.



## Digital Skills:



Digital skills this term, we will be looking at planning events, which will include us creating our invitations and flyers. We need to remember to always stay safe online and will continue to learn how best to do this at home, at college and out in the community.

## RSE/PSHE (Relationships and Sex Education/Personal, Social and Health Education):

We will learn about intimate relationships and how to stay safe. We will be looking at what behaviours we could and should expect to see from someone who cares for us, so that we know when there may be an issue that we need to share with a trusted adult and where we can go for any help and support.

## Enterprise

Enterprise is one of our ASDAN units. The students will be involved in planning and making items for sale at the Christmas Fayre, to be held at Sixth Form on Wednesday 17th December, starting at 10am and ending at 11.30am.

