

Acorn Park School

Mpanga Autumn Term Curriculum Newsletter

Welcome

Welcome back — we hope you had a lovely break! This overview gives you a snapshot of what your young person will be learning this term, along with key information and ways you can support at home.

Sixth form focus

This term in Sixth Form, we will focus on teamwork, building confidence, and understanding what is expected in work and everyday life. Through practical activities and real-life experiences, students will develop the skills they need for their future

What your child will be learning

English This half term, students will work towards their Functional Skills English qualification by developing their speaking, listening, and communication skills. They will research a topic of interest, create and deliver a presentation, take part in group discussions, and begin practising exam-style questions. These activities will help build confidence, improve communication, and prepare students for their Functional Skills assessments and any resit opportunities.

Maths This term, students will focus on preparing for their Functional Skills Maths qualification. They will develop confidence in key number skills, including calculation, estimation, and problem-solving, while applying maths to real-life situations. The aim is to build both mathematical understanding and the confidence to use these skills independently in everyday life.

PSHE This autumn, Sixth Form students will develop confidence, independence, and preparation for adulthood through a range of practical and community-based experiences. Learning will focus on wellbeing, relationships, life skills, employability, travel training, and future planning. Through visits to local businesses, community services, shops, cafés, and careers events, students will build skills in communication, money management, teamwork, problem-solving, and independent travel, helping them

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Enrichment opportunities

TITAN Enrichment provides students with opportunities to develop independence, confidence, and life skills through real-world experiences in the community. Through supported visits to local venues, students will build their travel, communication, social, and employability skills while applying their learning from PSHE, Life Skills, Careers, and Café sessions. These experiences help prepare students for adulthood, further education, employment, and independent living.

Supporting learning at home

You can support your young person at home by encouraging independence in everyday activities such as travelling locally, managing money, communicating with others, shopping, planning meals, and discussing future goals and career aspirations. Talking about the skills they are developing in school and providing opportunities to practise them in real-life situations will help build their confidence and independence.

For further information about any aspect of the curriculum or how to support learning at home, please contact your young person's class teacher

We're here to help

Teachers in the sixth form are Kieron Roberts for Lee and Josh Hallam for Zephaniah
We're always happy to talk, please call the school if you want to arrange a time to meet or discuss anything

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