



Hub 5 Newsletter

Spring 2026

Welcome Back

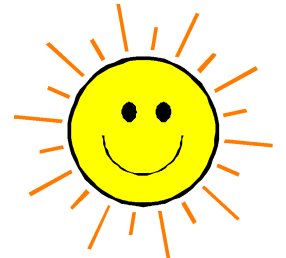
Hello

Welcome back to the Spring Term. We hope you and your family had a restful and joyous break. As we begin this term we will continue to support pupils to build their independence skills both in and out of the classroom. We continue to encourage pupils to communicate effectively, travel safely, and develop a stronger understanding of how money works. Pupils will also be completing units for their final qualifications, AIM, AQA or AQA UAS. We are aware that time is ticking and that your pupil will be leaving school in the Summer Term. Most of you will be having discussions with social workers, healthcare providers and other learning disability teams at this stage regarding funding and placements for September 2026. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you need any support or guidance with these decisions.

General update: Messages will be sent out the day before a trip. We will be using the home school diaries for important messages and updates - please check these daily. We will let you know what your child has been learning in school by uploading photos onto the Evidence for Learning app each week. It's a great opportunity to look at these at home and we love to read your comments.

We have the same fabulous staff team and are in a good routine with daily outings and trips. Wendy and Lindsey continue to take the pupils out for those special WOW days into Birmingham and trips that are a bit more special!

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via the school office or email:



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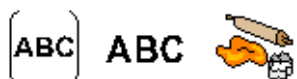
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Communication, Language & Literacy

We are continuing to work on strengthening our communication skills. AQA focus will be listening, engaging and communicating with others and AIM focus will be on speaking, communicating out and about in the community using a variety of PODD and communication aids.

We are reading Frankenstein as our Gothic fiction and The Hunger Games for pleasure.



Thinking & Problem Solving

AQA UAS: focus will be on time and daily events.

AIM: focus on Time and Money will be delivered discreetly embedding in all work experience opportunities. We will be planning activities so using a calendar and knowing dates will be

AQA: Geometry and Measure



Vocational Skills

Our theme for this term is 'Preparing for an outing' which most of our pupils do weekly. But we will be focusing on pupils remembering what they need to take when they go out! Pupils will still be working on their personal goals; identifying their qualities and skills to develop a plan to improve or learn new skills to prepare for their future.

We are continuing with AIM & and AQA UAS Units.

AQA UAS: Odd Jobs, exploring jobs around the home, school and the community and to help prepare Meal Deals for staff lunches.

AIM: Working towards goals, Everyday food and drink preparation and Organic gardening.

Work experience

Work experience opportunities include: Shopping and visiting places of interest for pupils as well as Dobbies, Craft Barn, Foodbank, Shopping, Travel Training, Hosting in the Café, Pop-up shop as well as College/ Day Care visits.

We are aiming to be out in the community as much as possible and we will be rotating small groups to ensure safety and maximum learning. However, we are planning for the **whole class to be out on Thursdays** either at the Craft Barn or Farm so please ensure your young person is dressed warmly in layers. **Please let us know if they have any appointments that they need to stay in school for or if they needed to be collected earlier.**

Physical Movement

We continue to deliver pupils exercise and movement through their physio plans, including daily standing, walking and changing positions when they are in school. We also take part in a weekly exercise sessions using resistance bands and/or yoga for all pupils to join in (when they are in school). Pupils who are on work experience are improving their strength by lifting, stretching and general movement when working.