**Fly fishing**

Pupils are working towards a certificate of proficiency and can now independently set up their rods, attaching the lines and flies. They have started to learn the best flies to use for different conditions.

The teamwork during these sessions is amazing. If a pupil catches a fish, the others run to their aid with the landing net and each catch is a real team effort.

The pupils are always very excited to go back the following week and can’t wait to see who will be the first to catch a fish that day.

During these sessions pupils are encouraged to work on their personal targets from their EHCP.

**English**

Students from the HUB are currently developing their spelling, punctuation and grammar skills through a range of reading and writing activities.

Some have been working towards an Entry Level qualification, whereas others have been developing these skills to help them achieve this in the next 1 – 2 years.

**Team building games**

During form times the pupils spend their time playing team building games, practicing their turn taking and speaking and listening skills.

**Work Experience.**

Pupils run the local community farm for the day. They start by receiving a list of jobs that need to be completed. The first job is usually feeding the pigs, alpacas, sheep and goats. They then give hay to the horses and feed the farm cat.

Once all animals are fed they start on the general maintenance of the farm including clearing overgrown areas, repairing and maintaining fences.

This term has included herding the sheep, goats and alpacas from their outdoor pen, across the farm into a shaded area, when the weather was too warm for them and caring for the baby chicks which have grown to full size chickens.

Pupils learn teamwork, perseverance, animal care and general maintenance skills.

**Art**

**Food Tech -** Pupils will be introduced to the fundamentals of food technology. This will include understanding the importance of good kitchen hygiene and kitchen safety. Pupils will then go onto making a number of dishes including sandwiches (toasted and non-toasted).

**Maths**

Pupilshave been working towards their Entry level maths qualifications. There are eight exams; they have successfully passed the first four and are working towards their Geometry and Measure units.

**Bushcraft**

Pupils visit a local woodland to learn survival and bush craft skills. Pupils collect and chop wood to create a camp fire, which they use to cook their bacon sandwiches.

This term they have made bow and arrows and have learnt about which plants have medicinal properties, which are edible or poisonous.

**Workshop**

Pupils have used various hand and power tools to make a shoe rack to store their outdoor footwear tidily and stylishly.

They have learnt how to remove and replace uneven paving using chisels and cement.

They have also redesigned and built a guinea pig run for the school guinea pigs and a storage unit for the timber store in the workshop and have nearly finished their birdhouse.

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**Physical training**

The boys have shown significant progress in their strength and ability whilst working with the personal trainer.

Every week they choose a type of exercise and they are set targets to complete in our on-site Gym, by the end of the week.

The pupils continue to rise to this challenge every week.