

Learning 4 Life (PSHE) - Year 12 pupils will learn about relationships and different types of abuse. Students then move on to cover topics around personal hygiene and healthy living. Year 13 follow the Inspiration Project for L4L related topics.

Work Experience - A strong emphasis on teamwork alongside practical skills. Working on following instructions increasing communication skills with unfamiliar people and problem solving. Evaluating their placements and discussing employer feedback.

British Values - Understanding the four pillars of FBV (fundamental British values) democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance.

Travel Training - Each week students will travel to different venues and complete set tasks to increase problem solving independently, time keeping, planning routes and working with others, all working towards independence and adulthood.

Speech and Language Therapy - SALT specific sessions run on a termly carousel. SALT strategies embedded in daily school routine.

Maths - In the sixth form students work towards their next qualification in preparation for leaving SDS. We are working towards maths related to independence and work enabling them to use the maths skills that they have acquired in a useful situation. The students are grouped according to the qualification they achieved by the end of year 13.

All areas of maths will be covered, particular focus on money skills, preparing for adulthood and independence.

Stony Dean School

6th Form

Spring Term Curriculum 2025-26

English - Themes for this term include 'Community' and 'Environment'. Students will be developing their reading, writing and speaking and listening skills and will be entered for an appropriate functional skills qualification or English Language GCSE if and when they are ready.

Students resitting exams or moving up to the next level will be developing exam technique and preparing for their exams.

Construction - Creating and making garden furniture using carpentry skills and increasing confidence in using power tools. Incorporating English and Maths independently into tasks.

Kings Trust

Community Projects - Pupils have moved onto the practical phase of the project. They have been learning about working safely with a range of tools and being aware of the dangers of being next to water. Following a work schedule and completing tasks to a deadline have also been a main focus this term.

Preparing for the World of Work - Understanding and gaining experience in searching for a job. Understanding an application form. Gaining confidence of behaviours expected within the work place.

Career Planning - Interview skills and practice in preparation for College and internship interviews.

Experiencing the world of work - Reviewing and reflecting over work experience placements. Create a plan of how to improve on weaker areas. Give feedback to the placement.

Digital Skills - This unit aims to support learners' use of digital technology to enhance their communication, problem solving and employability skills, as well as their use of social media in a safe and informed way.

Food Tech - Some students will focus on achieving a Kings Trust qualification during year 13. Lessons about getting pupils confident and ready to live independently.

Wellbeing - Pupils have been learning about wellbeing and what factors can affect it. They have been learning about factors that affect our emotional, mental and physical health. We will be exploring different strategies that help us manage stress levels and organising activities to make people around the school be aware of what helps wellbeing.

Presentation Skills - Pupils will develop their communication, research and organisation skills while planning and delivering different types of presentations that will lead to building their confidence for job interviews and talking to different audiences. They will learn what makes an effective presentation and be able to evaluate their work.