

THRIFTWOOD COLLEGE - KEY STAGE 5

COMMUNITY LEARNING



Introducing Community Learning

It has been great to be able to take the students out again, now that Covid restrictions have lifted. Community Learning this year has taken on a different approach with four key areas, which are:

- 1) Travel and Safety,
- 2) Activities in the community
- 3) Accessing Chelmsford City Centre
- 4) Accessing other towns and places.

The students will rotate through these areas every half term.

Depending on which group they are in, every week our students have been given tasks. These range from working as a team, trying new activities, buying lunch out, identifying which shops sell particular items, finding items in a shop, visiting new locations and also using public transport, along with many other learning opportunities. This half termly newsletter will be a way of us sharing with you what we have been doing, as well as celebrating success.

Student Feedback

"Community Learning is helping me get more independent"

Chloe S

"It's really helping me stay safe and with crossing the roads"

Katie

"It's been fun doing different activities"

Ben

"It's interesting going on lots of different adventures. I've been buying lunch with help and sometimes independently"

Millie-Mae



Safety in the community

We were very lucky to be able to take a couple of groups to see the Knife Angel whilst it was in Chelmsford's Central Park. The 27ft (8m)-tall National Monument Against Violence and Aggression, known as the Knife Angel, is made from 100,000 blunted blades handed into police across the country. The students were impressed by the size and it was a great way to talk to the students about staying safe in the community.



Important Information

You will continue to receive a weekly text every Wednesday, so you know what your child needs for their Community Learning lesson.

If you have any queries please contact Rachael Collins on 01245 262779 or rachaelcollins@thriftwoodschoo.com

Special Mentions

Thomas SC has shown great leadership skills and is always helping others in his group - *Rebecca Rowden*

Joe W has really challenged himself over the past few weeks and is now a lot more confident when in the community - *Corinne Painter*

Caylan has been a great role model for other students by demonstrating confidence when travelling on public transport - *Maryanne Hall*

Phoebe has developed her confidence and has been able to order her own food with minimal support - *Frances Satterley*

Paige was very confident at asking questions when in Curry's, about what each household appliance does and how much it costs. - *Rachael Collins*



Educate

Challenge

Prepare