



Our Learners

Learners who join Thriftwood College in Year 12 or 13 will receive a curriculum that is specifically geared to their learning needs and is designed for students wishing to prepare for their next college or the work environment.

This is usually a two-year Foundation Learning Course which may have elements set at Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2 depending on the needs of the individual. Students will study a mixed programme including Maths, English, Vocational Learning and Personal Development.

Programme of Study

The curriculum will focus on:

**English and Maths, Vocational Experiences, Personal Learning and Thinking Skills (PLTS),
Healthy Lifestyle Choices and Employment Development**

Delivery

Vocational Learning	Personal Development	English/Maths/ICT Skills
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developing skills for the workplace in Work linked learning Purposeful use of leisure time, including outdoor activities, exercise, sports & arts Experience of the working world through STEAM Retail & Services Community Learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichment – trying new things Shopping, Cleaning Personal Management Personal Finance Development of personal values Charity Projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading/discussion/e-mails/filling forms Writing functionally Measuring , money handling, reading the time E Safety Basic IT Skills Possible accreditation at Entry Level/Level 1/2

Outcomes

Vocational Learning	Personal Development	English/Maths/ICT skills	Independence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation for College Experience of Work Students will have chosen their next place of learning and will know their strengths 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PLTS Progress An improvement in Effective Participation Know how to sustain relationships Working towards personal targets Being Safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confidence in using functional skills in daily life Effective communication skills Accreditation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Knowledge of how to keep safe in the community and on line Good self-management skills Greater resilience Knowledge of how to use their time purposefully

Year 12/13 Programme

English

- English, particularly functional reading and writing is important for improved life chances of Year 12/13 students.
- Key to their next steps in education or the workplace.
- Activities range from Entry level to Level 1/2.
- Lessons are tailored to the needs of individual students and their EHCP outcomes.
- English lessons are ability grouped across the College

Mathematics

- Maths is important for improved life chances of Year 12/13 students.
- Key to their next steps in education or the workplace.
- Activities range from Entry level to Level 1.
- Lessons are tailored to the needs of individual students and their EHCP outcomes.
- Maths lessons are ability grouped across the college

Vocational

- The future of Year 12/13 students can heavily depend on their aspirations in the work place. At Thriftwood we take this very seriously and aim to give our students activities that reflect the challenges from the world of work.
- Includes activities within Literacy and Numeracy.

Personal Learning & Thinking Skills (PLTS)

- It is not just the academic areas that are important for our students. PLTS will often be the skills that will allow students to lead a more independent and productive life.
- Includes learning how to manage themselves, work in a team, reflect on their learning, independently enquire and creatively think.
- Thriftwood aims to improve effective participation through all strands.

Healthy Lifestyle

- A healthy Lifestyle is a goal for all students at Thriftwood College.
- We encourage good decision making through activities not just about what we eat and how we look after our bodies but also what we can do to look after our home and money.
- Work on effective use of leisure time will also feature.

Examples of Experiences

- English Lessons (ability grp)
- Reading
- Discussion
- CVs
- Emails & Letters
- Signs & signposts
- Lists & notes
- Library Visits
- Planning & Reviewing

Examples of Experiences

- Numeracy Lessons (ability grp)
- Measuring and ordering in cooking
- Logistics in Environmental Projects
- Following timetables
- Shopping in town
- Budgets & Bills

Vocational , Personal Learning & Thinking Skills and Healthy Lifestyle Experiences

- Working in the coffee shop
- ICT
- Cooking
- Environmental Projects (YR12)
- Art
- Visits around the locality
- Work Experiences

- E-Safety
- Open Mic Night
- Charity projects
- Community Challenge
- Enrichment activities
- Walks & visits to the gym
- Retail & Services (YR13)
- Drive (YR13)
- Moving On/Get a Life (YR13)

- Speaking & Listening activities
- Cinema Club
- The Moral Story
- British Values
- PSHCE
- Work on EHCP outcomes
- Duke of Edinburgh (YR13)
- STEAM