

# Further Education ( FE )

## “Doing Things Differently”

By the age of 16 years our students will have had 11 years of formal, academic education. At Hollywater Further Education Department we aim to provide our young people with something very different now.

Our Further Education Department is committed to empowering young people with special educational needs by providing meaningful pathways to adulthood. Through accredited programs and real-world learning experiences, we nurture independence, confidence, and life skills. We aim to prepare each learner for a fulfilling future by offering experiences in employment, independent living, community participation and continued education through the offer of solely practical opportunities, experiences and encounters.

To guide our students through this important phase, we use the **ASDAN** Personal Progress curriculum and the **OCR** Life and Living curriculum for Communication and Numeracy. ASDAN and OCR are nationally recognized programs that help students gain valuable experiences and accredited achievements in a wide range of areas. This structured yet flexible framework allows us to provide engaging, hands-on learning both in and out of the Department.

Students take part in a wide range of activities—from managing money and cooking meals, to work experience and travel training—all designed to build practical skills and self-belief. Every experience is carefully planned to be meaningful, age-appropriate, and relevant to life beyond FE.

We are proud of the progress our students make in the Further Education Department and look forward to sharing their achievements with you throughout the year.