

Adepitan class are within the Practical learning approach and are a key stage 3/4 class with 14 pupils aged 13–16. Pupils in class are supported by a Class Teacher, a Higher Level Teaching Assistant and 2 Teaching Assistants.

Pupils focus on developing independence, life skills and social confidence, to prepare them for adulthood. The curriculum combines practical learning, outdoor experiences, creative activities and physical education, thus providing a holistic approach to education.

Pupils develop essential skills to support their independence through a range of 'hands-on' activities. Weekly shopping and café trips provide an opportunity to practise using money, make decisions and interact confidently in real-world settings. In the Lodge, pupils work in small groups to cook meals for themselves and their peers. They follow recipes, prepare ingredients safely and explore new dishes each term, fostering teamwork, communication and problem-solving.

Pupils enjoy regular sports and physical activities, including football sessions led by Maidstone Football Club, which enhance fitness, teamwork and discipline. Tessellation Dance sessions offer a creative outlet, encouraging self-expression, coordination and confidence in performing arts. These activities as well as PE support both physical and social development, helping pupils build friendships and self-esteem.

Adepitan class prides itself on providing a supportive environment where every pupil can thrive. Staff work closely with pupils to understand their strengths, interests and learning styles, ensuring that each individual is challenged appropriately and their progress is celebrated.

