

# Health & Social Care

## Course Outline for Y9:

BTEC Health and Social Care is a work-related course. It introduces you to the employment area of health and social care and provides a good basis to progress to a more advanced work-related qualification. In Year 9, students will begin with an introduction to Health and Social Care and will then move on to study Human Growth and Development. In year 10, they will study Health and Social Care Services and Values. Students will study and prepare for an exam component in year 11, Health and Wellbeing.

## How Will I Be Assessed:

The course is made up of three units each of which will be assessed on a regular basis mainly through the marking of coursework including homework, presentations and role play for particular units studied. Your progress will be closely monitored to ensure that you are fully supported to achieve your potential. It is important that you meet the deadlines in order to keep up to date with the work. You will also have to sit a 3 hour exam towards the end of the course in year 11.

At the end of the three year course, you will achieve the equivalent to one GCSE, either a 'Pass' (grade C), a 'Merit' (grade B) or 'Distinction' (grade A).

## What students should be doing to achieve:

- It is important that students have up-to-date, complete and detailed notes. Students must keep *all* notes/handouts and folders from the start of the BTEC course, as these will be their main resource which will help them complete their coursework tasks.
- Full attendance to all lessons is vital. There is a large amount of content to cover, and missing even one lesson can have an impact on your coursework.
- Students will have set deadlines to hand in coursework and they must ensure they meet their deadlines. Therefore being organised and managing your time effectively is key to passing the course.
- Students will be given regular homework which will contribute towards their coursework and exam.

## How parents / carers can help students achieve:

- Ask your child to tell you what they are studying and support them with their coursework tasks by checking they are doing their homework.
- Encourage your child to attend revision sessions when studying the exam unit and emphasise their benefits.
- Help with revision for their exam in year 11. Borrow your child's book or folder and ask them questions to test their knowledge.
- Attend the Year 10 Subject Evening with your child, so that we can discuss his/her progress.

## Support and Interventions available at school:

- We provide various materials to aid revision for the exam, and can advise the students on different ways to revise.
- We do our best to make ourselves available to students who seek our help. This could be at break and lunch times.

## Dates to make a note of:

- **Year 11 Mock Exam:** dates to be advised.
- **Exam:** Students will take an exam in January, year 11.

## Who I can contact for further advice / help:

Please do not hesitate to contact Miss Patel, Miss Jobanputra or Miss Boatman if you have any questions, or for further information and advice.

