

## **HUMANITIES / Health and Social Care**

Health and Social Care is taught at Key Stage 4 (Year 9 to 11) and is a department within the Faculty of Humanities. The Faculty comprises of eight full-time members of staff and is situated in seven classrooms, with all rooms benefiting from projectors, visualisers and interactive whiteboards. The BTEC Tech Award in Health and Social Care course is delivered to students over 3 years, starting in year 9. The subject is a popular choice and uptake is increasing; with students opting for Level 3 H & SC in Year 12 at our own Redhill 6<sup>th</sup> Form satellite centre.

In year 9 the curruculum is structured to allow students to develop the skills, knowledge and understanding needed to help them prepare for formal assignments and exam work that commences in year 10. The introductory topics studied allow students to become familiar with current practices in health and social care services, serving the purpose of a vocational course by preparing students to work in this sector.

The curriculum in years 10 and 11 follows the BTEC Tech Award specification in a linear approach. Students are expected to complete three components, component one and two being interally assessed units, component three being an externally assessed exam. The three components focus on the assessment of knowledge, skills and practices in the following areas:

- Component one:Human Life Span Development
- Component two: Health and Social Care Services and Values
- Component three: Health and Wellbeing

Due to the recent opening of the Redhill Vocational Centre based here at The Oakwood Academy, students can continue with their studies in health and social care at post 16 by applying for the BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care. This full time course builds on the knowledge and understanding gained at level 2 as well as provides students with opportunites to undertake work based training.

We look forward to your application at an exciting time for our Humanities team and particularly our health and social care department.

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