

February 2024

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Re: BTEC Technical Award Health and Social Care Coursework

60% of the final grade for the Health and Social Care qualification is completed as set coursework, split into two components. Students are assessed through 'timed tasks' known as Pearson Set Assignments (PSA), whereby they are required to complete an assignment set by the exam board in an allotted time.

Students will shortly be completing tasks under supervised conditions within lessons for Component 1. <u>It is</u> therefore very important that all students attend every lesson to complete their exam assignment tasks. The PSA time is monitored, and all students are expected to complete these tasks in silence, just like in an external exam.

Class notes and research notes can be used during the PSA but must be referenced properly. Planning sessions have been delivered to ensure that the students feel as prepared as possible. Staff support is available on Tuesdays after school 3.15pm - 5.00pm in the Technology area should your child need extra assistance. For your child to maximise their chances, attendance to these sessions is strongly advised.

We will be working on the Component 1 PSA <u>during all Health and Social Care lessons in the weeks beginning</u> 12th of February and 26th of February.

As always, it is important that all students are punctual to their Health and Social Care lessons to maximise the time available to complete the assignment.

If you have any questions or feel there is something further we could do to support your child, please do not hesitate to contact me via email at claire.vincent@consilium-at.com

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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