

## BTEC Award in Home Cooking Skills – Level 2

This qualification teaches students how to prepare nutritious meals safely and independently.

It includes:

- basic cooking techniques and recipes
- food hygiene and kitchen safety
- meal planning and budgeting

Students are assessed through practical cooking tasks and written reflections. It's perfect for building life skills and confidence in the kitchen and supports healthy living.

## GCSE Biology

GCSE Biology helps students understand how living things work and interact. It covers:

- cells and organisms
- health and disease
- genetics and evolution
- ecology and the environment

Students learn through experiments, data analysis, and applying science to real-world issues. There's no coursework, just two exam papers at the end of the course.

It builds a strong foundation for science careers and everyday decision-making.

## PE Level 2

Level 2 Sport is a vocational qualification that helps students develop practical skills and knowledge in sport and fitness.

It includes:

- understanding the body and training.
- planning and leading sports activities.
- exploring careers in sport and physical activity.

Assessment is through coursework and practical tasks, not just exams. It suits students who enjoy hands-on learning and may want to pursue further study or work in sport, coaching, or fitness

## GCSE English

*GCSE English Language helps students develop essential communication skills. It focuses on:*

- **Reading:** Understanding and analysing fiction and non-fiction texts.
- **Writing:** Creating clear, imaginative, and structured writing for different audiences and purposes.
- **Spoken Language:** Presenting ideas verbally (assessed separately).

*There are **two exam papers**, both testing reading and writing. No coursework. It's designed to build confidence in using English in real life, education, and work*

(There may be an option of Functional Skills)



## Level 1 Digital Functional Skills

This course builds on Entry Level 3 and helps students use digital skills more independently.

It covers:

- managing files and folders.
- using software for writing, presentations, and data.
- online communication and collaboration.
- understanding digital safety and privacy.
- using digital tools in work and life.

It's suitable for students who want to improve their digital confidence for education, employment, or daily tasks.

Assessment is online, on-demand, and externally marked, with a pass/fail result

## GCSE Mathematics

GCSE Maths helps students develop problem-solving and analytical thinking through:

- number, algebra, geometry, statistics, and probability.
- applying maths to real-life situations and other subjects.
- building skills for further study, work, and everyday life.

There are three exam papers (no coursework), testing both calculator and non-calculator skills. Students are entered at either Foundation or Higher tier, depending on ability.

(There may be an option of Functional Skills)

## GCSE Art

GCSE Art and Design encourages creativity and personal expression.

Students explore:

- drawing, painting, sculpture, photography, and other media.
- art history and cultural influences.
- developing ideas and refining techniques.

Assessment is based on a portfolio of coursework (60%) and a final project (40%), not a written exam. It helps build confidence, problem-solving, and visual communication skills—valuable in many careers.

## BTEC Level 1 Award in Work Skills

This course helps students develop practical skills for the workplace and prepare for future employment or further study.

What students learn:

- How to apply for jobs and prepare for interviews
- Teamwork and communication in a work setting
- Managing money, time, and responsibilities
- Digital skills and using technology at work
- Building confidence and self-awareness

How it's assessed:

- No formal exams
- Students complete practical tasks and assignments
- Assessment is done by teachers and marked internally
- Students receive a Pass grade for each unit completed

The PHSE Association is followed for PHSE curriculum.