

Year 12

AS Level Business

Students will follow Schemes of Work produced by EDEXCEL and will follow Theme 1 and 2. 100% external assessment.

AS Economics

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Y12 Drama and Theatre Studies

In A level Drama and Theatre Studies students are taught in mixed ability classes and follow the AQA specification. They will be taught for 5 lessons a week.

Y12 Music

Students are taught in mixed ability classes with the WJEC/Eduqas linear A Level Music specification. Students will begin preparing for their performance recital with a peripatetic music teacher on their principal musical instrument. In class, students will be taught composition skills on the western classical tradition, and focus on early 20th Century Impressionism, Neo-Classicism and Serialism. They will also explore the sound worlds of pop genres between 1960 and 2000.

Y12 Art and Design

Having transitioned to Linear A levels Y12 is treated like a foundation year teaching the students the skills and criteria required to complete Y13. Students will explore 3 separate topics, still life, portraiture and themed response, before choosing one to continue into a sustained study culminating in a final outcome.

Y12 Photography

Having transitioned to Linear A levels Y12 is treated like a foundation year teaching the students the skills and criteria required to complete Y13. Students will begin by explore a number of different mini projects, each designed to develop their understanding of the camera and the effects created by its functions. After Christmas students will complete a sustained project showcasing the skills they have required before completing a mock exam.

Y12 Media

The Linear A- Level focuses on a variety of key theoretical concepts, practical skills needed at an industry standard and a working knowledge of how and why the Media construct texts for their consumers. The content of the course is explored with a set of key theorists and concepts in mind with extensive discussion around how socio/cultural, historical, political and economic features impact upon the construction and viewing of various mediums. The controlled assessment is conducted at the end of the first year within a 16 week period.

Y12 Design and Technology: Product Design

Students follow the new linear AQA specification. Students work through a series of planned practical projects and theory sessions to develop subject knowledge and skills needed for the NEA task and examinations. They will be encouraged to consider preparing a portfolio of work that could be used for interviews.

Y12 English Literature (Currently Edexcel)

Currently:

Prose: Wuthering Heights- Emily Bronte and Mrs Dalloway Virginia Woolf

Drama: A Streetcar Named Desire- Tennessee Williams

Poetry- Poems of a Decade: An Anthology of the Forward Books of Poetry, 2002-2011

Beginning of the coursework process (summer term)

Some student who are studying A/S only will have an examination on the above texts

Y12 English GCSE

Currently any student entering 6th form must take this course if they have not achieved a 4 or above. Attendance is mandatory. There are timetabled lessons and exam period is January or Summer series.

Y12 and 13 History

At A Level History students are taught in mixed ability classes and follow the Edexcel specification. They will be taught for 9 lessons per fortnight

Y12 and 13 Geography

At AS Level Geography students are taught in mixed ability classes and follow the Edexcel specification. They will be taught for 9 lessons per fortnight.

Y12 and 13 Philosophy

In AS Philosophy students are taught in mixed ability classes and follow the AQA specification. They will be taught for 9 lessons per fortnight.

Y12 and 13 Sociology

In AS Sociology students are taught in mixed ability classes and follow the AQA specification. They will be taught for 9 lessons per fortnight.

Y12 Government and Politics

In Year 12 Government and Politics students are taught in mixed ability classes and follow the Edexcel (linear) specification. They will be taught for 9 lessons per fortnight. There is no coursework at A-Level.

Year 12 Computer Science (Level 3) New

Computer science is a subject that encompasses the theoretical aspects of how a computer is designed, used and it's computational power is applied to problem solving, together with practical skills in programming. It provides the student with a detailed understanding of the internal architecture of a computer. It is a suitable foundation for a student wishing to pursue a career as a Programmer, Analyst or Electronic Engineer. The course is aimed at students who see themselves as developing computer software and hardware rather than simply using computers as tools. This qualification, which includes two exams worth 80% and 20%, controlled assessment.

Y12 Cambridge Technicals Introductory Diploma L3 (360GLH)

The OCR Cambridge Technical Level 3 Introductory Diploma in ICT is a vocationally related qualification that takes an engaging, practical approach to learning and assessment. It is industry relevant, geared to key sector requirements, and suits a broad range of learning styles and abilities.

This is a two year course which is designed to develop your practical ICT skills, problem solving and communication skills and gives you the knowledge and awareness of the benefits and drawbacks of ICT and the impact it has on individual lives and on society in general.

The course consists of three coursework units and two exam based unit.

Y12 Maths

Students are taught in mixed classes and follow the EDEXCEL Maths specification. They will be taught for 5 lessons per week.

Y12/13 French or Spanish Language (Exam board used: AQA)

Over the 2 years, students study a variety of topics: aspects of society (trends and issues), artistic culture and political life of the countries speaking the language studied. They also study a film and a book in the target language. Finally, each student has an Individual Research Project (IRP) to complete on a topic related to the language and culture studied, of their choice.

Students are assessed on all 4 skills (listening, reading, writing and speaking) on these topics. The writing assessment is based on the book and the film studied. The speaking is based on their IRP.

Y12 & Y13 PE

In A Level Physical Education students are taught in mixed ability classes and follow a scheme of work with assessment that reflect the AQA linear specification. They will be taught for nine lessons a fortnight and cover the theory (70%), practical (15%) and coursework (15%) section of the course over two years.

Y12 & 13 BTEC National Extended Diploma in Sport

This course is delivered in accordance to Edexcel guidance and is equivalent to three A Levels. Students study 14 units, which include four externally assessed exams and ten internally assessed coursework units. The course is a full time course, which is taught over two years.

Y12 & 13 BTEC National Extended Certificate in Sport

This course is delivered in accordance to Edexcel guidance and is equivalent to one A Level. Students study four units, which includes two externally assessed exams and two internally assessed coursework units. The course is taught for nine lessons a fortnight over two years.

Y12 Biology

From September 2015 students will study the full AQA Biology course in line with the Ofqual subject content and experimental techniques following course specifications. It is a linear course that runs over two years, with students sitting their exams at the end of the two years. The exams are composed of papers that include one structured free response question and practical questions based on the practical work they undertake throughout the course. Students are taught in mixed ability groups but need to meet GCSE pre-requisites to enter the course. The one year course is currently not available.

Y12 Physics

From September 2015 students will study the full AQA A level Physics course in line with the Ofqual subject content and experimental techniques following course specifications. It is a linear course that runs over two years, with students sitting their exams at the end of the two years. The exams are composed of three papers that include one optional topic content which is currently astrophysics. Students are taught in mixed ability groups but need to meet GCSE pre-requisites to enter the course. The one year course is currently not available.

Y12 Chemistry

From September 2015 students will study the full AQA A level Chemistry course in line with the Ofqual subject content and experimental techniques following course specifications. It is a linear course that runs over two years, with students sitting their exams at the end of the two years. The exams are composed of three papers that include practical questions based on the practical work they undertake throughout the course. Students are taught in mixed ability groups but need to meet GCSE prerequisites to enter the course. The one year course is currently not available.

Y13 Applied Science BTEC Subsidiary Diploma

This course covers all three sciences and is delivered in accordance to Edexcel guidance. Students study 60 credits which is equivalent to on A2 level, and there is an exam portion that must be written in order to pass the course. This is taught over two years.

Y12 Psychology

From September 2015 students will study the full AQA A level Psychology course in line with the Ofqual subject content following course specifications. . It is a linear course that runs over two years, with students sitting their exams at the end of the two years. The exams are composed of three papers, containing the compulsory content and one optional topic content. They are made up of multiple choice, short answer and extended writing questions. Students are taught in mixed ability groups but need to meet GCSE pre-requisites to enter the course. The one year course is currently not available.