

A level Subject Information

Subject: Applied Health and Social Care

What the subject is about:

Health & Social Care is the study of health and well-being. Students learn about the key stages of physical and emotional development and begin to understand the profound influence relationships and life events can have on an individual's health.

Many students with qualifications in Health & Social care go on to have interesting careers in areas such as childcare, nursing, midwifery, counselling, health-visiting and paramedics.

Course content and assessment schedule:

Unit	Duration	Completion date	Brief outline of main content. (Identify where coursework or practical forms part or all of a module)
1	Term 1	January Year 13	Promoting Positive Care (33.3%) Coursework This involves the production of a portfolio based on a care setting. Students will learn about: <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Attitudes and prejudices➤ Legislation relating to health care➤ Patient rights➤ Facilitating access to services➤ Safe working practices
2	2 hr exam	January Year 13	Health and Well being (33.3%). External examination. Students will learn about: Concepts related to health and well being Factors affecting health and well being Health Promotion approaches Organisations which promote health and well-being Recognising and challenging negative attitudes and prejudices
3	Term 2-3	May Year 13	Communication in the Care Setting (33.3%) Coursework This involves the production of a portfolio based on a care setting. Students will learn about: The importance of communication in health and social care workplaces. You focus on aspects such as active listening, respect, assertiveness, sincerity and team work

Entry requirements:

Compulsory GCSE subjects	Grade	Desirable subjects	Grade
No particular GCSE subject is necessary to take on A Level Health & Social Care			

Qualities / skills needed to succeed in the course

- Be able to work independently to meet deadlines for your portfolio / coursework.
- Be able to work in groups to research topics and produce presentations
- Be able to express yourself clearly and be able to write to a good standard
- As this has a vocational dimension it is important to have a keen interest in the health and social care sector.