



Year 8 into 9 Applied Options Subject Information



INTRODUCTION

An underpinning principle of the curriculum at Crawshaw is that it will develop confident, self-motivated and determined young people with the knowledge, skills and qualities needed for successful lives. Experiencing success and developing independent learning skills and resilience, to equip our students for further/higher education and employment, is a key element of our STRIVE philosophy.

As your child moves into Year 9, they will specialise further in a chosen applied learning subject area. This means that, in addition to maintaining a wide breadth of subjects that encompass both core and non-core subjects and a balance of academic and creative, they will have 4 hours a fortnight in an applied learning subject. To be able to create the required time in the timetable, the following subjects will not be part of the core curriculum in Year 9 (unless chosen as an Applied Learning Specialism) – Design (Art remains a core subject in Year 9), Music, Food & Nutrition.

In this booklet are a list of subjects that your child can express a preference to study in Year 9. All these courses will run through until the end of Year 11 and **will result in a recognised and valid qualification** – either a GCSE or equivalent.

There will still be an options process for Year 9 into 10 next year where there will be an opportunity to opt for a number of these subjects (and others) in addition to the allocated subject specialism started in Year 9.

The following are supporting the process:

- This Applied Learning Specialism booklet which gives information about the courses;
- Subject areas will be able to explain their courses in more detail to students.



INDICATING PREFERENCES

Your child should indicate an ORDER OF PREFERENCE from 1 to 5 for the subjects that they would most like to specialise in (1 = FIRST PREFERENCE, NO PREFERENCE if do not wish to be considered for that subject). Once all preferences are in, we will match students to subject areas. **This will be done remotely using Microsoft Forms via the link shared in the letter and by email.**

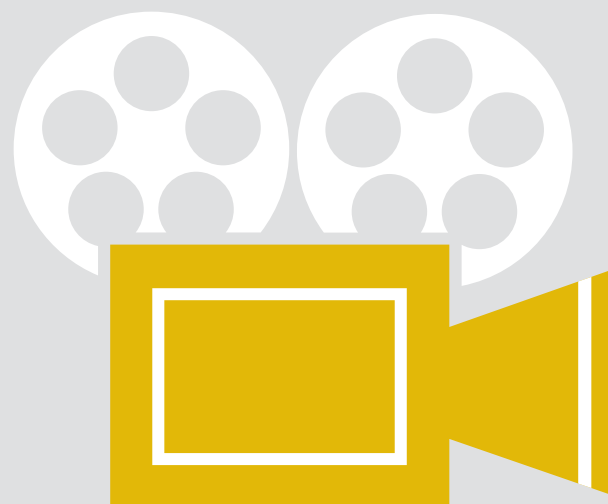
The focus will be on supporting as many students as possible to get their first or second preference; however, it should be noted that this may not always be possible due to curriculum constraints which include specialist staffing and therefore the number of classes available in each subject.

If first or second preferences are not possible, we shall move to later preferences. It is important that 5 preferences are indicated in a rank order. **The final allocation will be indicated on your child's timetable in September.**

The deadline for completed returns is indicated in the letter. If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact school via the info@ca.rklt.co.uk email address or via Mel Dwight, KS3 Phase Leader.



ENGLISH FACULTY OPTION SUBJECTS





GCSE Media Studies (EDUQAS)

AIMS:

To study, in depth, the conventions of newspapers, film, video games, radio, magazines, advertising/marketing, television, music and social media. We will analyse these media forms by focusing on their language, representation, audience and industry.

To create an individual media production for an intended audience, which shows sound understanding of the concepts above.

ASSESSMENT:

Component 1 – Exploring the Media (40%)

Written examination – 1 hour 30 minutes

Section A – two questions assessing your knowledge of Language and Representation in print media.

Section B – two questions assessing your knowledge of Industries and Audiences.

Component 2 – Understanding Media Forms (30%)

Written examination – 1 hour 30 minutes

Section A – Television

Section B – Music (videos and online)

For both sections, you must answer one question on Industries or Audiences, and one question on Language or Representation.

For Section A, you will watch an extract from a television crime drama in the exam (Luther), and then answer questions on it.

Component 3 – Creating Media Products (30%)

Non-exam assessment – mostly completed in the classroom.

This gives you the opportunity to create a poster and a DVD cover for a film of your choice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Speak to Mrs Button or Ms Roe.

CONTENT:

Component 1 – Exploring the Media

You will have the opportunity to study a range of print media, including:

- Magazines
- Film posters
- Newspapers
- Print advertisements.
- You will also have the opportunity to study film, radio and video games.

Component 2 – Understanding Media Forms

You will have the opportunity to study television and music.

Component 3 - Creating Media Products

You will have the opportunity to create print-based marketing for a new film.

PROGRESSION ROUTE:

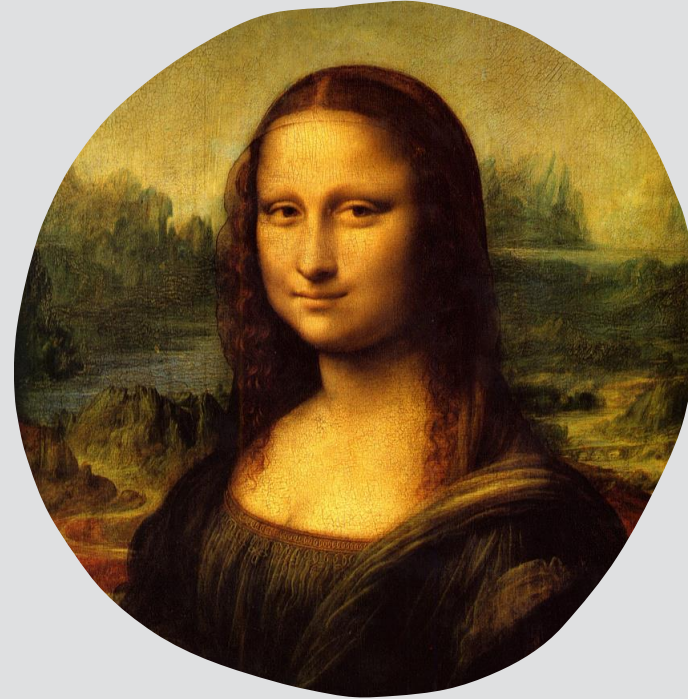
- A-Level Media Studies
- Degrees in Media Studies, Journalism, PR, Communications, Events Management.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Advertising
- Marketing
- Journalism
- Publishing
- Social media management
- TV/radio production
- Public relations
- Events management
- Web content manager
- Writer



ART AND DESIGN SUBJECTS





GCSE Art and Design: 3D Design

AIMS:

This 3D Design qualification gives students an opportunity to engage with creativity and innovation to further develop their current learning at Key Stage 3 in Design and Art, broadening their designing and practical skills. This GCSE covers a wide range of activities based on research, designing and making products that are manufactured using materials such as woods, metals, papers/card and plastics.

Three-dimensional design is the design, prototyping and modelling or making of functional and aesthetic products and objects. This exciting course is especially suited for students who like to design and make products.

Future Prospects/Career Options: The creative industries in the U.K are rapidly growing. They contribute £92 billion to the economy and employ over 3 million people. People with creative skills are highly valued in a rapidly changing world of work.

Qualification: GCSE Art & Design - 3D Design, Exam Board AQA

CONTENT:- Areas of study

In Component 1 and Component 2 students are required to work in one or more area(s) of three-dimensional design, such as those listed below:

- *architectural design*
- *product design*
- *jewellery and body adornment*
- *interior design*
- *exhibition design*
- *designs for theatre, film and television.*

They may explore overlapping areas and combinations of areas.

ASSESSMENT:

Unit 1: Portfolio of work. Personal themed project set by student - 60% of total mark.

Unit 2: Externally set brief – project set by AQA - 40% of total mark. 10 hours of sustained focused study (exam). NO WRITTEN EXAM.

Architecture

Product Design

Jewellery

Interior Design

Exhibition Design



PROGRESSION ROUTE: AS/A2 LEVEL(S):

Art and Design, Product Design/Graphic Design, Photography. This can lead to studying an Arts Foundation course and onto degree at colleges/universities.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES: Architect, Animator, Car Designer, Product Designer, Fashion Designer, Jewellery Designer, Graphic Designer, Furniture and Industrial Designer, Mechanical and Structural Engineering, Commercial Designer, Biomedical Engineering, Measurement & Control, Engineering Backstage Theatre Work, Aircraft Engineering, Cabinet & Furniture Making, Agricultural Engineering, Three Dimensional Design, Web Design, Interior Design, Costume Design, Set Design, Fashion Design, Exhibition Design

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Speak to: Mrs Haxby

Weblinks: Be inspired: <http://www.yankodesign.com> Careers: http://www.prospects.ac.uk/types_of_jobs_creative_arts_and_design.htm

Guide to best Universities for Arts Degrees: <https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/league-tables/rankings?s=Art%20%26%20Design>



GCSE Art and Design: Graphic Design

AIMS:

Graphic communication the exciting process of designing image and text to convey information, ideas, meaning and emotions in response to a given or self-defined brief. This is an exciting course suitable for creative and practical minded individual.

Future Prospects/Career Options: The creative industries in the U.K are rapidly growing. They contribute £92 billion to the economy and employ over 3 million people. People with creative skills are highly valued in a rapidly changing world of work. There are hundreds of specialisms but it is competitive and you need to work hard.

Qualification: GCSE Art & Design, Exam Board AQA

ASSESSMENT:

Unit 1: Portfolio of work. Personal themed project set by student - 60% of total mark.

Unit 2: Externally set brief – project set by AQA - 40% of total mark. 10 hours of sustained focused study (exam).

NO WRITTEN EXAM.



PROGRESSION ROUTE: AS/A2 LEVEL(S):

Art and Design, Product Design/Graphic Design, Photography. This can lead to studying an Arts Foundation course and onto degree at colleges/universities.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Look at the following website for an extensive list of careers including:- Advertising Designer, Graphic Designer, Packaging Designer, Illustrator, Typographer : <http://www.studentartguide.com/articles/art-careers-list>

CONTENT:- Areas of study

In Component 1 and Component 2 students are required to work in one or more area(s) of graphic communication, such as those listed below:

- communication graphics · design for print · advertising and branding · illustration · package design · typography · interactive design (including web, app and game)

They may explore overlapping areas and combinations of areas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Speak to: Mrs Haxby

Weblinks: Be inspired: <http://www.yankodesign.com> Careers: http://www.prospects.ac.uk/types_of_jobs_creative_arts_and_design.htm

Guide to best Universities for Arts Degrees: <https://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/league-tables/rankings?s=Art%20%26%20Design>



GCSE Art and Design: Textile Design

AIMS:

Fashion/Textile Design is an exciting and creative course which allows you to explore creativity in textiles, whether it be practical or just as a work of art. This course is suitable for creative and practical minded individuals who are interested in the world of fashion and textile design

Future Prospects/Career Options: The creative industries in the U.K are rapidly growing. They contribute £92 billion to the economy and employ over 3 million people. People with creative skills are highly valued in a rapidly changing world of work. There are hundreds of specialisms but it is competitive and you need to work hard.

Qualification: AQA GCSE Art and Design – Textile Design

CONTENT:

Areas of study

In Component 1 and Component 2 students are required to work in one or more area(s) of textile design, such as those listed below:
art textiles · fashion design and illustration · costume design · constructed textiles · printed and dyed textiles · surface pattern · stitched and/or embellished textiles · soft furnishings and/or textiles for interiors

They may explore overlapping areas and combinations of areas.

ASSESSMENT:

Unit 1: Portfolio of work. Personal themed project set by student - 60% of total mark.

Unit 2: Externally set brief – project set by AQA - 40% of total mark. 10 hours of sustained focused study (exam).

NO WRITTEN EXAM.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Look at the following website for an extensive list of careers including Interior Design, Fashion Design, Furnishing Design, Fabric Design, Retail :

<http://www.studentartguide.com/articles/art-careers-list>

http://www.prospects.ac.uk/types_of_jobs_creative_arts_

PROGRESSION ROUTE: AS/A2 LEVEL(S):

Art and Design, Product Design/Graphic Design, Photography. This can lead to studying an Arts Foundation course and onto degree at colleges/universities.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Speak to: Mrs Haxby

Weblinks: Be inspired: <https://www.studentartguide.com/articles/fashion-design-sketchbooks>



GCSE Art and Design: Photography

AIMS:

Photography is a new and exciting course which allows students to pursue ideas in digital photography, moving image as well as photographic manipulation through using photoshop as well as sketchbook work.

Qualification: AQA GCSE Art and Design – Photography

CONTENT:

Students are required to work in one or more area(s) of photography: • portraiture • location photography • studio photography • experimental imagery • installation • documentary photography • photojournalism • moving image: film, video and animation • fashion photography. They may explore overlapping areas and combinations of areas.

Students develop their own sketchbook and PowerPoints throughout the course. The study of other artists and research culminates in final pieces, which demonstrate students' personal strengths and interests.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Creative Industries are booming employing over 2 million in the UK and forecasted to be one of the biggest growing industries in the near future. Look at the following website for an extensive list of careers including Photography, Animator, Special Effects Designer:

<http://www.studentartguide.com/articles/art-careers-list>

PROGRESSION ROUTE:

Students can progress onto A level Photography. This can lead to studying an Arts Foundation course and onto degree courses at colleges/universities.

ASSESSMENT:

60 % Portfolio of Work
40% Externally Set Task (exam)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

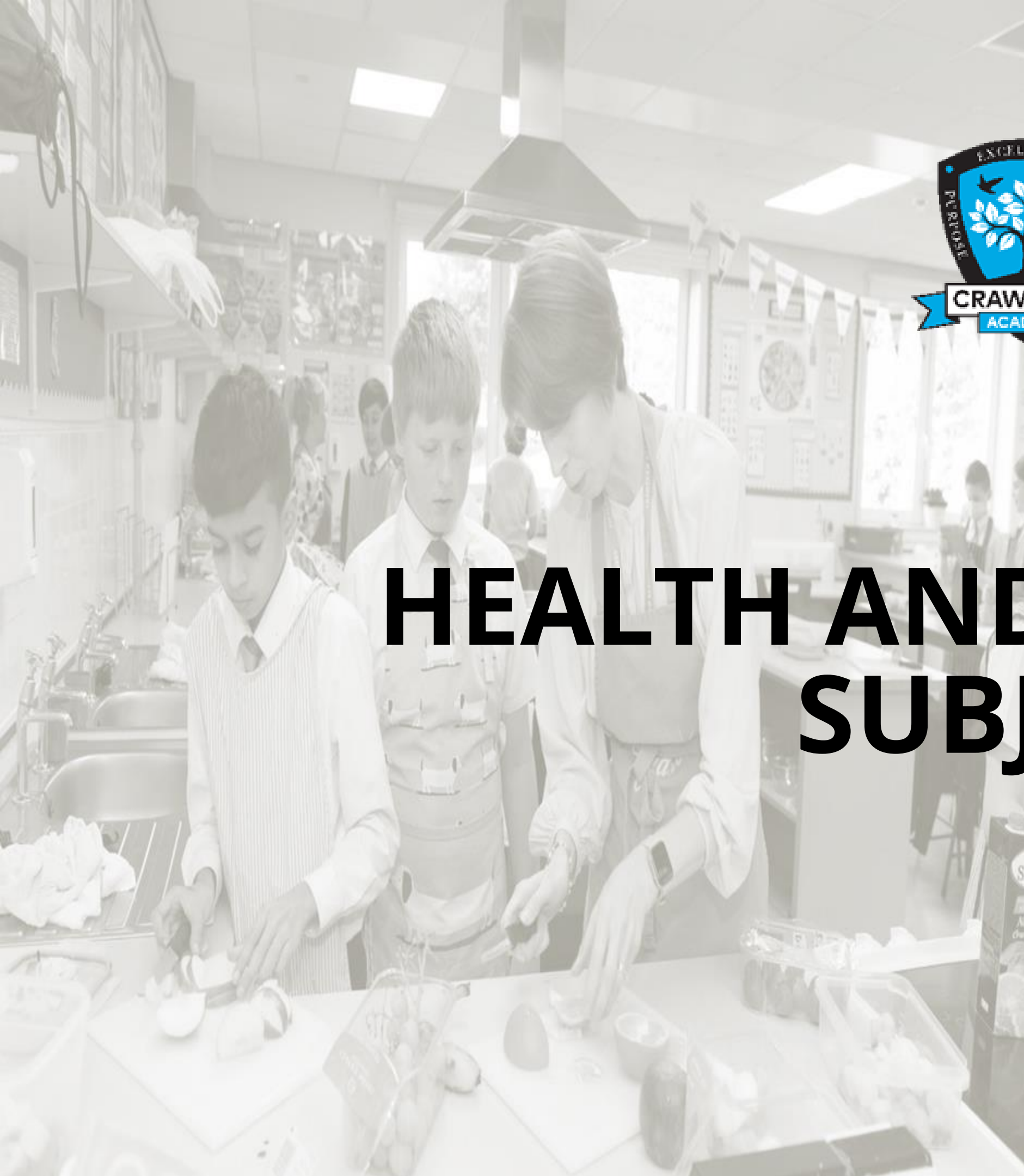
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HEALTH AND WELLBEING SUBJECTS





EDUQAS L1/2 VOCATIONAL AWARD IN HOSPITALITY & CATERING

AIMS:

This qualification is designed for learners with an interest in food and cookery. It will provide learners with opportunities to develop skills and gain experience of the hospitality and catering industry. Students will develop a core depth of knowledge and a range of specialist and general skills that will also support progression to further learning and employment.

Qualification: EDUQAS Level 1/2 Vocational Award in Hospitality & catering

Level 2 (A*-C grade equivalent) for pupils aiming to do A Levels or other level 3 courses after GCSE.

Level 1 (D-G grade equivalent) for pupils who plan to go onto further level 1 or 2 courses.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Employment in hospitality and catering can range from waiting staff, receptionists and catering assistants to chefs, hotel and bar managers and food technologists in food manufacturing.

PROGRESSION ROUTE:

All of the roles above require further education and training either through apprenticeships or further and higher education. Many of our students have gone on to successfully complete the L3 Professional Cookery Diploma at Leeds City College.

CONTENT:

Unit 1 - In this unit, you will learn about the types of providers within the industry, the operation of hospitality and catering establishments and the factors affecting their success. This knowledge will enable you to respond to issues relating to the hospitality and catering industry and provide you with the ability to propose a new provision that could be opened in a given location to benefit the owner and the local community.

Unit 2 - The purpose of the unit is for learners to safely plan, prepare, cook and present nutritional dishes. In this unit you will gain knowledge of the nutritional needs of a range of client groups in order for you to plan nutritional dishes to go on a menu. You will learn and develop safe and hygienic food preparation, cooking and finishing skills required to produce nutritional dishes.

Practical work will be completed on average once a week. There will be periods around the written exam where less practical takes place.

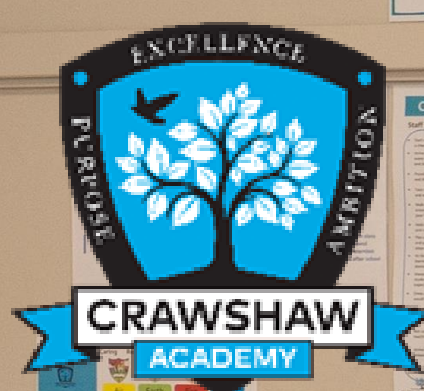
ASSESSMENT:

Unit 1 - The Hospitality and Catering Industry – externally assessed written exam

Unit 2 - Hospitality and Catering in Action – internally assessed controlled assessment and practical exam. Learners must complete both units.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Speak to Mrs Rose or Mr Nicholson

Weblinks: [Level 1/2 Vocational Award in Hospitality and Catering \(wjec.co.uk\)](https://www.wjec.co.uk/level-1-2-vocational-award-in-hospitality-and-catering)f



GCSE PHYSICAL EDUCATION (EDEXCEL)

AIMS:

GCSE Physical Education is a theory qualification which has an element of practical performance included within the syllabus. The majority of learning will be in the classroom with students gaining knowledge about various different aspects of sport, health and exercise. Although there will be practical lessons, it is important to stress that this qualification is not just an extension of core PE, and by its very nature it is quite an academic subject. An interest in all aspects of sport will certainly be beneficial for somebody considering this option.

Qualification: GCSE Physical Education (Edexcel)

ASSESSMENT:

Theoretical Component: 60% of grade

- 2 written papers. Paper 1 is worth (36%) and paper 2 (24%).

Practical Component: 40% of grade

- Practical performance in 3 chosen sports worth 30% of final grade
- Individual Personal Exercise Programme (6 weeks) worth 10% of final grade.

CONTENT:

Students will study:

- ***Fitness and Body Systems (Theory)*** - Applied anatomy and physiology, movement analysis and physical training.
- ***Health and Performance (Theory)*** - Health, fitness and well-being, sport psychology and socio-cultural influences.
- ***Practical Performance (Practical)*** - Assessed on 3 physical activities from a set list. One must be a team sport, one must be an individual sport. Final sport could be either
- ***Personal Exercise Programme (Practical)*** - Set out the aims of the PEP, plan the PEP, carry out the PEP and monitor then evaluate the PEP.

Success in GCSE PE relies upon; good literacy skills, good organisational skills, a keen interest in sport, good learning conduct and a strong desire to 'be the best you can be'.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Speak to: The P.E. Department

Weblinks: <https://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/physical-education-2016.html>

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Employment opportunities in the sport industry are broad and varied and this qualification could be a great start for anybody wishing to have a career in sport.

PROGRESSION ROUTE:

As well as being preparation for the A-level Physical Education, GCSE PE allows progression to related qualifications such as Cambridge Technicals in Sport & Physical Activity, BTEC Nationals in Sport or Sports and Exercise Science.



Crawshaw holds the afPE Quality Mark with distinction for Physical Education.

Healthy Schools Award

Leeds Sports Award U18 School Sport Winner 2021



PERFORMANCE SUBJECTS





GCSE MUSIC (AQA)

AIMS:

To develop an understanding and appreciation for various musical styles & genres.
To develop your own musical interests and performing skills, including the ability to work individually and as part of a group.
To evaluate your own music and the work of others.

QUALIFICATION: GCSE Music (AQA)

CONTENT:

Unit 1 – Understanding Music. You will listen to a variety of styles/genres and answer questions about them, focusing on the terms below..

Unit 2 and 4 – Composing Music. Two compositions.
You may use music technology such as Garageband.

Unit 3 – Performing Music. You will work both individually and in groups to produce a variety of different performances.

Throughout all 4 units, you will develop an understanding of Rhythm & Metre, Harmony & Tonality, Texture & Melody, Timbre & Dynamics, and Structure & Form

ASSESSMENT:

Composition- 30% of your final grade. Two coursework compositions. One free choice and the other to suit a brief set by the exam board

Performance- 30% of your final grade. One solo and one group. These can be recorded as many times as you want during the two years.

Understanding Music—40% of your final grade . A ninety-minute listening and appraising exam at the end of Year 11

SPECIALIST LESSONS! As part of the coursework requirements, You will be encouraged to take a weekly music lesson (voice, or instrument of your choice) with one of our specialist visiting teachers. This will develop your musicianship and performance skills, as well as giving you the option to work towards Grades from a recognised exam board.

PROGRESSION ROUTE:

A Level Music, BTEC Level 3 Music/Music Technology.
Career prospects - Music teacher, session musician, music producer, sound engineer, music for tv & film, composer, conductor, music journalist, Radio DJ/Producer,

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Speak to Mrs Davidson or Mr Mann

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BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE SUBJECTS





GCSE BUSINESS STUDIES (PEARSON)

AIMS:

To inspire students to study business and develop a broad understanding of what it takes to build a business and the factors that influence it.

Qualification: Pearson (Edexcel) GCSE in Business

CONTENT:

Unit 1: Investigating Small Business: This unit contains five separate sections designed to give students an understanding about how small businesses become successful:

- Spotting a Business Opportunity • Showing Enterprise and Entrepreneurship • Putting a Business Idea into Practice • Making the Business Effective • Understanding External Influences on Business

Unit 2: Building a business: This unit also covers five main topic areas that are designed to enable students to deepen their understanding on how a business can build itself following the start-up of a new business. The topics include:

- Growing the Business • Making Marketing Decisions • Making Operational Decisions • Making Financial Decisions • Making Human Resource Decisions

ASSESSMENT:

100% of the overall mark is generated through two exams. Both exams are 90 minutes with a variety of multiple-choice, short- and extended questions.

PROGRESSION ROUTE:

A level Economics, A level Business, BTEC Level 3 Business – Apprenticeships, the world of work and Universities

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

Everyone works in a business, so it's good to know how they work as it provides the opportunity to follow any careers within businesses. It also enhances pupils understanding of different career routes and application processes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Speak to Miss Akhtar, Faculty Leader Enterprise

Weblink:

http://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/GCSE/Business/2017/specification-and-sample-assessments/GCSE_Business_Spec_2017.pdf

Modern Foreign Languages

APPLIED OPTION:

Please place German as first preference should you wish to gain a qualification in German at the end of Y11.

Please discuss with your MFL teacher if you are considering German.

Students will be accepted subject to agreement by the MFL department.



AQA GCSE GERMAN



AIM:

GCSE German is a fun and challenging GCSE for budding linguists, future language teachers or those wishing to learn a skill to set themselves apart from the rest, in the increasingly competitive world of higher education, business and work.

Students' taking this course will develop their German vocabulary, phonics and grammar knowledge within the key skills of reading, listening, speaking and writing, as well as developing their cultural awareness and knowledge.

Taking German as an applied option is the pathway for those who are interested in taking two languages to GCSE.

Qualification: AQA GCSE GERMAN

CONTENT:

The GCSE course consists of three main themes:-

- **Theme 1: People and lifestyle**
- **Theme 2: Popular culture**
- **Theme 3: Communication & the world around us.**

-which include topics such as Free Time, Celebrity Culture, Media & Technology & Travel & Tourism. Students learn to express & justify their opinions & develop their knowledge, understanding & application of; German phonics, pronunciation rules, grammar, such as tenses, word order & adjectival agreement as well as developing their range & accuracy of language.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Speak to Miss Halliday or Miss Robson.
Click on the link below to see specification details.

[links: https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/german-8662/specification-at-a-glance](https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/languages/gcse/german-8662/specification-at-a-glance)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

German is one of the top 10 most widely spoken languages in the World and second most widely spoken in Europe (Russian being the first.)

Germany has the strongest economy in Europe and 4th worldwide. As world leaders in engineering, science, environmentalism and renewable energy, together with being the world's second-largest exporter and home to numerous international corporations, a GCSE in German is thus, a huge asset in the world of work. Indeed, it is the most sought-after language by employers in the UK. A GCSE in German could therefore lead to a whole host of careers from education, to travel & tourism or a variety of different areas of the business world, as noted above.

PROGRESSION ROUTE:

A GCSE in German can lead on to an A level course if you achieve a grade 6 or above. Candidates who achieve a grade 5 may be considered on an individual basis. Studying German can also set you up to study different languages at A level or Degree Level.

ASSESSMENT:

- 4 exams at the end of Y11- each worth 25%.
- Listening, Reading, Speaking-conducted by teacher/externally marked and Writing.
- The speaking exam will be between April/May of year 11.



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on our website for
more information.**

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