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PYNCIAU CRAIDD CORE SUBJECTS

MATHEMATICS MATHEMATICS

Pwyso a Gwerth

2 X GCSE A*-G

Weighting & Value

1 GCSE Mathematics

1 GCSE Numeracy

Asesiad

4 exams at the end of Year 11

Assessment

Mathematics
Unit 1 Non-Calculator
Unit 2 Calculator

Numeracy

Unit 1 Non-Calculator
Unit 2 Calculator

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

GCSE Mathematics helps you combine good soft skills, such as presentation skills with good Maths skills and technical ability, which makes you highly sought after by employers. You're also more likely to get into college/university if you have at least a C in GCSE Mathematics.

Where can the qualification take you?

GCSE Mathematics will build on and progress from the levels of mathematics expected at the end of KS3. Whilst GCSE in Mathematics – Numeracy will assess the mathematics that learners will need in their everyday lives, in the world of work, and in other general curriculum areas, GCSE Mathematics will extend to aspects of mathematics needed for progression to scientific, technical or further mathematical study.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy should enable learners to:

- develop knowledge, skills and understanding of mathematical methods, techniques and concepts required for progression into mathematics or mathematically-related disciplines or employment routes
- make connections between different areas of mathematics
- select and apply mathematical methods in both mathematical and real-world contexts
- reason mathematically, construct arguments and simple proofs, and make logical deductions and inferences
- develop and refine strategies for solving a range of mathematical and realworld problems
- communicate mathematical information in a variety of forms
- interpret mathematical results and draw and justify conclusions that are relevant to the context
- communicate mathematical information in a variety of forms.

SAESNEG ENGLISH

Pwyso a Gwerth

2 X GCSE A*-G

Weighting & Value

1 GCSE English Language

1 GCSE English Literature

Asesiad

English Language

Assessment

Unit 1 Oracy 20%

Unit 2 Description, Narration, Exposition 40% (Exam)
Unit 3 Argumentation, Persuasion, Instructional 40% (Exam)

English Literature

Unit 1 Prose & Poetry Study 35% (Exam - Y10)

Unit 2 Literary Heritage & Contemporary Textual Studies 40% (Exam Y11)

Unit 3 Shakespeare and Welsh poetry 25% (Exam Y11)

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

GCSEs in both language & literature will provide the grounding for a multitude of further studies. The skills that you develop during your English studies are not only the bedrock for accessing all of your other subjects, but also pivotal for successfully and confidently engaging with the world around you.

Where can the qualification take you?

Qualifications of C and above in English are required by many college courses and A Level courses. A secure understanding and application of English is appreciated in a wide array of careers. Be it in the world of law, politics or government, through the astute articulation of an argument. Or in more technical jobs, such as engineering, plumbing or carpentry, by being able to effectively and appropriately communicate with others around you.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

GCSE Mathematics and Numeracy should enable learners to:

• develop knowledge, skills and understanding of mathematics.

Course details & additional information

- develop knowledge, skills and understanding of mathematical methods, techniques and concepts required for progression into mathematics or mathematically-related disciplines or employment routes
- make connections between different areas of mathematics
- selectIn both language and literature, you will cover a range of literacy skills:

Reading: comprehension; analysis; synthesis; summarising; decoding Writing: sentence structures; vocabulary; word types; etymology Oracy: group discussions; individual presentations; speaking clearly and articulately; speaking for different purposes

The literature course is based around the study of the core texts mentioned above. This course provides pupils with the opportunity to become ambitious explorers of a breadth of literature, which can enhance their appreciation of the world they live in.

GWYDDONIAETH SCIENCE

Pwyso a Gwerth

Triple Science – 3 X GCSE

Weighting & Value

Double Science - 2 X GCSE

Asesiad

Triple Science: 3 Units per Science (Biology, Chemistry and Physics).

Year 10 – Unit 1 (45%)

Year 11 – Unit 2 (45%) and Unit 3 (practical exam worth 10%).

Assessment

Double Science: 7 Units (Biology, Chemistry and Physics -combined grade).

Year 10 – Unit 1 Biology, Unit 2 Chemistry, and Unit 3 Physics (15 % each)

Year 11 – Unit 4 Biology, Unit 5 Chemistry, Unit 6 Physics (15% each), and Unit 7 (practical exam worth 10%).

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

You will be able to access all Science A levels, Biology, Chemistry and Physics when completing either Triple or Double Science.

Where can the qualification take you?

The Sciences lead to a wide variety of careers, those more commonly linked to the content studied such as medicine or veterinary science, but also other career paths that wouldn't necessarily be obvious at first glance. Some of the paths that have been followed by previous students, or are linked to the sciences are:

Medicine, Pharmacy, Law, Biosciences, Veterinary sciences, accountancy, architecture, engineering, pharmacy and most scientific disciplines.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

There are many practical elements to the course where you are required to be methodical, and analytical, and a strong grasp of maths is beneficial for anyone considering taking any of the sciences onto A level.

Course details & additional information

There is a wide range of topic content studied across both the Triple and Double Science courses throughout year 10 and 11, with both courses having 2 separate exam papers on each of the 3 sciences (Biology, Chemistry and Physics). There is additional content covered on the Triple Science course, which at times is more challenging, requiring learners to be independent and determined in their attitude to learning.

CYMRAEG WELSH

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Assessment

It is expected nationally that all pupils in Wales will sit full course GCSE in Welsh First language or Welsh Second Language by the end of Year 11. There is no longer the option for pupils to sit the old short course examination. All pupils of all abilities are timetabled to study 'Cymraeg' for 4 hours per fortnight and here is no coursework or controlled assessment.

Unit 1: Oral Exam - Year 10 (25%) Unit 2: Oral Exam - Year 11 (25%)

Unit 3: Reading / Writing Exam - Year 11 (25%) Unit 4: Reading / Writing Exam - Year 11 (25%)

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

Where can the qualification take you?

The solid foundations set during Year 7-9 are built upon, as we offer opportunities that allow pupils to develop as confident, Welsh- speaking young adults. Our aim is to offer opportunities that encourage pupils to become successful job applicants who possess the vital skills needed for the bilingual workplace.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

This GCSE specification in Welsh second language will enable candidates to:

- develop skills and strategies that will enable learners to communicate and interact confidently and spontaneously in relevant situations and specified context
- develop language learning skills and strategies to enable candidates to develop their grasp Welsh further
- develop listening, speaking, reading and writing skills in an integrated manner, emphasising listening and speaking skills
- use Welsh in further studies, in the workplace and in the growing Welsh language community within Monmouthshire and wider Wales
- develop curiosity about the Welsh language.

SGILIAU SKILLS

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Enterprise and Employability (25%) assessed internally and moderated externally.

Assessment

Global Citizenship challenge (25%) assessed internally and moderated externally.

Individual Project (50%) assessed internally and moderated externally.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After you have finished this course, you will be able to progress to A Level Skills challenge.

It will allow you to develop transferable skills in:

Where can the qualification take you?

- Literacy
- Numeracy
- Digital Literacy
- Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
- Planning and Organisation
- Creativity and Innovation
- Personal Effectiveness

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information



Global:

The purpose of this is to develop skills, whilst providing opportunities to understand and respond appropriately to global issues. You will explicitly develop skills of Critical Thinking and Problem Solving and Creativity and Innovation and apply them in an appropriate manner.

Enterprise and Employability:

The purpose is to develop skills, whilst providing opportunities for you to develop enterprising skills and attributes and enhance employability. You will explicitly develop skills in Digital Literacy, Creativity and Innovation and Personal Effectiveness.

Individual Project:

The purpose is to develop skills, through carrying out a research activity in an area of personal interest or one that reflects future educational or career aspirations. You will explicitly develop skills in Digital Literacy, Planning and Organisation and Critical Thinking and Problem Solving.

OPSIYNAU OPTION SUBJECTS

CYFRYNGAU MEDIA

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

In Media you are assessed by controlled assessments and two written exams and coursework at the end of Year 11.

Assessment

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After you have finished this course, you will be able to progress to A-Level Media. There are numerous University courses available to those who wish to continue the subject.

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

In Media you will analyse how films, TV programs, adverts, magazines music videos and video games are made for audiences. You will learn about how to make your own short film, music videos, advert, magazines and more, using Photoshop and Canva. It is a very exciting and enjoyable subject that never gets boring!

CERDDORIAETH

MUSIC

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Assessment

In Music you will be assessed by performing on an instrument of your choice or singing and composing 2 pieces in different styles. There is also a written listening exam in the summer of Year 11.

Final Grade:

35% Performance 35% Composition

30% Appraisal (listening paper)

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After you have finished this course you will be able to progress to A Level Music or to BTEC level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Music (performance).

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

During the GCSE music course you will learn how music has developed in 4 specific areas of study: Musical Forms and Devices, Music for Ensemble, Film Music and Popular Music. This will be done through predominantly practical activities and will involve the students performing and composing in many varied styles.

To be successful you need to be willing to take part in practical activities and listen to a broad range of musical styles.

CELF ART

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

60% Portfolio

Assessment

40% Externally Set Assignment

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

Throughout the Art and Design GCSE course you will develop problem solving, creative thinking, investigation, research, communication and teamwork skills, and gain the ability to develop, refine and present ideas. These are skills employers and universities regard highly.

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

If you enjoy being creative, want to increase your practical skills and improve your analytical, communication and research abilities, Art and Design is a great choice. You'll look at different approaches to Art and Design and use lots of different media, techniques and materials. You will learn how to analyse the skills and work of other artists, designers and craftspeople and use this understanding to aid your own creative ideas.

The skills you gain in Art and Design make it a great complement to other subjects. Art and Design is a way of seeing things and making sense of the world around you. It can help you with further study and prepare you for the world of work.

BWYD A MAETHFOOD AND NUTRITION

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

In Food and Nutrition, you will be assessed by examination (40%) and controlled assessment (60%).

Assessment

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

Where can the qualification take you?

After you have finished this course you will be able to progress to Level 3 Food and Nutrition or industry apprenticeships.

This exciting course equips you with the knowledge, understanding and skills required to cook and apply the principles of food science, nutrition and healthy eating.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

This course will encourage you to cook and make informed decisions about food and nutrition allowing you to acquire knowledge in order to be able to feed yourself and others affordably and nutritiously, now and in later life. This course teaches you more than just how to cook. You will explore the principles of food science, what happens to ingredients when you cook them; the effect that different processes can have on the nutritional properties and sensory characteristics of various ingredients. Studying this course at GCSE level will widen your future options immensely.

You will learn to:

- Demonstrate effective and safe cooking skills
- Understand the relationship between diet, nutrition and health
- Explore a range of ingredients and processes from different culinary traditions
- Experiment with the properties of ingredients and identify solutions to problems given

DYLUNIO TECHNOLEGDESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Assessment

The course is assessed by coursework, worth 50% of the final grade and an exam worth 50%. You will select a brief, set by the exam board, and design and make a product of your choice during Year 11.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

Product Design would be an ideal course for students looking to progress to A level Product Design.

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

Product Design allows you to gain an understanding of the exciting and innovative world of Design, Engineering and Manufacture. You will develop your workshop skills through mini design and make tasks, as well as the more creative side of design innovation. You will have the opportunity to work with electronics, wood, metals, plastic and textiles as well as up-to-date Computer Aided Design (CAD) software and Computer Aided Manufacture (CAM).

To be successful in this course you will need to have a keen interest in designing and making products, selecting suitable materials and manufacturing processes to make innovative and exciting new designs.

ADDYSG GORFFOROL PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Assessment

In PE you will be assessed by written examinations (50%), coursework (8%) and practical examinations (42%). The practical grade will be assessed throughout the duration of the course. A large range of sports can be assessed.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After you have finished this course you will be able to progress to A Level Physical Education or BTEC Level 3 Sport (Development, Coaching and Fitness).

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

GCSE PE students can learn about all aspects of sport, physical education and the importance of a healthy, balanced lifestyle. This course uses both practical and theory lessons in order to develop knowledge in these areas. You will also develop the application of skills in practical performances.

To be successful you should be dedicated and interested in the subject and the environment. You must be able to perform practically in a minimum of three sports.

DAERYDDIAETH

GEOGRAPHY

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

You will be assessed through two pieces of field work, which will be examined in school and two written examinations at the end of Year

Assessment

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

At the end of the course you have the opportunity to progress onto A Level Geography. Beyond this, there are many great Geography courses at universities and many other courses that value Geography skills!

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

Geography will help you to be more aware of the everyday lives and problems of the people who live around you, in other parts of the UK, and across the world. Geography is a highly topical subject, ever changing as world events unfold. You will cover three key geographical themes – the changing physical and human landscapes, environmental and development issues and a fieldwork enquiry.

To be successful you will need to be interested in the world around you and like to question how the world works.

HANES HISTORY

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Assessment

You will be assessed by three examinations, each of 1 hour and 15 minutes and a Non-Examined Unit (coursework) on Nazi Germany. There is the option to take one unit at the end of Year 10.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After you have finished the course you will be able to progress to A Level History. This subject is highly valued and offers a route to many professions such as Law and politics.

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

This course is a combination of history from the Modern World and Britain. Topics include the political, economic and social life in Britain during the 1930s and 1940s, a time of Depression, War and Recovery.

You will also study America in the 1920s and how this was a 'Nation of Contrasts'. You will look at the cultural changes within the decade and how groups such as Gangsters prospered.

You will also study how Crime and Punishment has changed since the Tudor times and look at causes and types of crimes.

To be successful you need good literacy skills and be a good communicator, both verbally and in written form. You should be interested in deepening your thinking and conducting independent research. There will be opportunities to work in groups and discuss your own opinions and challenge misconceptions. You will also need a good knowledge so that you can back up your judgements with historical detail.

CYMDEITHASEG SOCIOLOGY

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Graded 9-1 WJEC/EDUQAS Qualification.

Asesiad

Two exams at the end of year 11.

Assessment

Component 1: Understanding social processes (50% of qualification) A written assessment with a mix of short answer, structured questions and extended response questions.

Component 2: Understanding social structures (50% of qualification) A written assessment with a mix of short answer, structured questions and extended response questions.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

The GCSE course provides an excellent introduction into Sociology and the wonderful world of Social Sciences. When you continue your studies into sixth form you will have the options of continuing your studies in Sociology or other courses such as Psychology, Criminology, HSC, Philosophy, Politics, Business and or Economics.

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

Sociology is designed to foster in learners an understanding and critical awareness of the social world around them. The course focuses on the importance of social structure in explaining social issues.

What will you study?

You will explore the ways in which we learn, the norms and values of our society, who makes 'the rules' and why. You will explore some of the explanations for underachievement in education, why some people are poor and others rich and the impact that this has on their lives. You will research why are some people evil. Why do people commit crimes? You will look at the ways that the media influences us and whether the news provides a reliable 'window on the world'. You will learn to look at topical issues and problems from different points of view and to support each with evidence. You will learn how to write well and to argue effectively. You will learn that Sociology is a fascinating subject.

Our pupils of Sociology usually agree that "everyone should do it" and that it is not what it is frequently perceived to be. Sociology is an academic discipline which teaches skills required for lifelong learning.

TGAU BUSNES GCSE BUSINESS

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Two exams at the end of year 11

Assessment

Unit 1: Business World 62.5% of qualification

A mix of short answer and structured questions based on a case study.

Unit 2: Business Perceptions 37.5% of qualification. Data response questions based on a case study.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

Where can the qualification take you?

The GCSE course provides an excellent introduction for the popular A Level Business Studies qualification. Additionally, many students that take the course through further study continue with Business Studies at University. Nearly all of our students continue studying in the Applied faculty where we offer Business, Economics, Criminology, Psychology, Philosophy, Politics, HSC and Sociology.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

This course introduces you to the business world, empowering you to develop as commercially minded and enterprising individuals. You will have the opportunity to develop a wide range of skills, enabling you to use business information critically, to develop arguments, to make justified decisions and to be prepared for further study and career pathways. The topics areas covered are:

- Business activity
- Influences on business
- Business operations
- Finance
- Marketing
- Human Resources

The GCSE Business specification will enable you to actively engage in the study of business to develop as effective and independent learners, and as critical and reflective thinkers with enquiring minds.

BUSNES BTEC BUSINESS

Pwyso a Gwerth

2 x GCSE equivalent

Weighting & Value

Grades from A* - G

Asesiad

All units are assessed through coursework, varying from practical tasks to written tasks.

Assessment

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After completing this course you will be able to progress to Level 3 Business. It would facilitate a career in business-related professions such as Accountancy, Law, Marketing or the Leisure and Tourism Industry.

Where can the qualification take you?

The course enables you to develop the mind-set and skills that a successful entrepreneur would need when setting up and running their business. You will be given the opportunity to understand how business ideas are created and how you can be confident enough to generate your own ideas, to start your own business in school! You will experience the difficulties in conducting market research and the importance it plays when developing an idea.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

During the course you will develop the skills needed to work in a team and for some of you leading a team. In Year 11 you will draw together all aspects of the course and plan and pitch your business idea. Are you savvy enough to make a profit? You will be given the opportunity to set up and run your own fictional company throughout the course.

- The Entrepreneurial Mind-Set
- Creating a Vision for your Business Plan
- Preparing and Pitching a Business Plan
- Researching your Market
- Leadership and Teamwork

To be successful, you will need to be able to work on your own, in a group and be able to communicate with others. You must enjoy researching using the internet. You will also use real life examples to complement your understanding.

SBAENEG SPANISH

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

As you study Spanish, you will be assessed in four skills, with 4 exams at the end of Year 11.

Assessment

In Spanish you will be assessed by:

- Speaking test (25%)
- Listening examination (25%)
- Reading examination (25%)
- Writing examination (25%)

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After you have finished this course, you will be able to progress to A Level Spanish. Even if you don't wish to progress to A Level, a GCSE in a foreign language is a great asset to have on your CV. It will show that you are a confident, explorative global citizen. In addition, languages are excellent facilitating subjects for many universities.

Where can the qualification take you?

They are also very much in demand for a wide range of jobs including law, finance, the armed forces, teaching and tourism.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

During this course you will learn a whole range of topics that will help you to communicate abroad. You will learn to talk about yourself, your family, friends, school, jobs, your home and environment. You will build on the Listening, Reading, Speaking and Writing skills developed at KS3, through the study of three broad themes, namely:

- Identity and Culture
- Wales and the World areas of interest
- Current and future study and employment

If you are curious about other cultures and often wish that you could communicate with others whilst abroad, this course is for you! You should join the millions of people across the globe who can communicate in a language other than their mother tongue.

CYFRIFIADUREG COMPUTER SCIENCE

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Assessment

In Computer Science you will be assessed through two controlled assessments, worth a combined 55% of your final mark. There is one written examination worth 45%.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

This course allows you to study A Level Computer Science and provides valuable knowledge of computer programming.

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

This course will offer you a unique opportunity to gain an understanding of how computers work and to create and troubleshoot computer programs for real-life purposes relating to your own personal interests. Computer Science develops valuable programming and computational thinking skills, which are increasingly relevant to a wide variety of jobs.

To be successful you should have a strong grasp of Maths and a logical mind. You will need to be practical, imaginative and be an innovative thinker, creative and independent.

DRAMADRAMA

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

Assessment

In Drama you will be assessed through both practical assessments and a written examination. You will be assessed on a devised piece that you create with a group and a scripted performance piece. The written exam will be on a set play that we study over the GCSE course. You will be assessed on your knowledge as a performer, director and designer.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

Where can the qualification take you?

After you have finished this course you will be able to progress to A Level Drama. You then have a range of practical, technical, set design courses etc. available to you in college/university. Drama has lots of transferable skills and does not just limit you to careers in the Performing Arts industry. The skills you use could take you onto job roles such as, lawyers, social workers and many more.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

You will have the opportunity to use a range of Drama skills whilst devising performances based on set themes and performing set texts. You will also get the opportunity to study a set text in which you will look at themes, characters and set. It is an energy filled GCSE, and thoroughly enjoyable.

To be successful you will develop each individual element of performance whilst performing confidently. The more you give to each aspect of the practical work, the more you will get out of Drama.

CYFRIFIADUREG BTEC ICT / IT USERS

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE Equivalent

Weighting & Value

Grades B

Asesiad

100% coursework with 4 units of externally assessed coursework.

Assessment

Unit 201 - Improving Productivity

Unit 218 - Databases

Unit 225 - Presenting software Unit 228 - Website software

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

The BTEC IT course provides valuable knowledge of various software packages and will allow you the opportunity to enter many sectors and careers including ICT, Business, Sports and Engineering.

Where can the qualification take you?

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

The course will allow you to develop knowledge of various software packages such as Serif for web design and animation. You will also develop data handling techniques using Microsoft Access to manipulate data. You will also produce publications for advertising a company through marketing using various software developing creativity skills.

LLUNYDDIAETH PHOTOGRAPHY

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE

Weighting & Value

Grades A* - G

Asesiad

60% coursework (comprised of physical or digital sketchbook &

various photographic outcomes)

Assessment

40% examination unit (comprising of a physical or digital sketchbook work and one or various outcome pieces)

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

Where can the qualification take you?

Photography is ideal for students who are interested in film, advertisement, digital manipulation of images, taking their photographs further and progressing to do A-Level Photography. You will develop a variety of skills such as analysing/ research, creative thinking, collaboration, creative and critical thinking, problem solving, etc, that will help you succeed in any future job.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

Course details & additional information

You will learn how to develop your creativity through developing a range of skills such using both manual and digital techniques. You will learn how to analyse the skills and work of historical and contemporary photographers, filmmakers and video artists and how to use your understanding of their work to create your own work.

In order to succeed in Photography, you need to be creative, enthusiastic and dedicated. Successful students will have to work independently, be keen to apply their skills other than in school and develop their project ideas creatively.

IECHYD A GOFAL HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE GCSE

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x GCSE Equivalent

Weighting & Value

Grades B

Asesiad

60% Coursework There are two pieces of coursework one completed in Year 10 and the other in Year 11.

Assessment

40% Exam will be sat in Year 10.

Pa dyfodol ydy'r cymhwyster yn gallu rhoi i chi?

After completing this course you will be able to progress to further learning/training and/or qualifications, including: Level 3 in HSC, childcare and apprenticeships in HSC.

Where can the qualification take you?

The course enables you to develop and demonstrate your knowledge, skills and understanding within the context of health and social care, and childcare.

The following issues are studied:

- Human growth, development and well-being
- Physical and mental health.
- Active participation in health
- Early intervention promoting growth, development and wellbeing.

Manylion y cwrs a gwybodaeth ychwanegol

The Course work is based on

- 1. Service Provision
- 2. Health promotion campaigns

Course details & additional information

If you have an interest in supporting people with physical, emotional and social needs then then this course will suit you.

In order to be successful in Health and Social Care you need to have an interest in Health Education , Psychology ,Wellbeing, Child Development , Medical science(preventing illness throughout human development) Healthcare.

Skills that you will need are the ability to work independently, researching, critical thinking and problem solving.

CHWARAEON BTEC SPORT

Pwyso a Gwerth

1 x Level 2 BTEC

Weighting & Value

Distinction*, Distinction, Merit, Pass

Asesiad

3 Coursework based units – 1 of which is externally assessed

Assessment

1 online exam unit based on anatomy & physiology content

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BTEC Sport Level 2 is an entry-level qualification that provides a foundation in sports-related studies. Here are some potential pathways and destinations for individuals with a BTEC Sport Level 2 qualification:

Where can the qualification take you?

- Further Education
- Apprenticeships
- Employment in the Sports Industry
- Gym and Fitness Industry
- Sports Coaching
- Sports Retail
- Event Management
- Personal Development

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Course details & additional information

Within the course you will develop your knowledge about various sports this will include regulations and the roles of officials. You will also be required to coach and organise sporting events. As well as learning about the anatomy and physiology of the body. In addition, you will be required to create your own training program to improve your physical strengths and weaknesses.



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