

King Edward VII School



Curriculum information for
Health & Social Care
Level 3 BTEC
(Extended Certificate & Diploma)

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE BTEC

Offered as **BTEC Level 3 National qualifications in Health and Social Care**. The qualifications offered will be equivalent to one A level or two A levels.

UCAS points awarded as with A levels. Assignments, units and final marks will be awarded as: Pass (E), Merit (C), Distinction (A), Distinction* (A*).

What do I need to study Health & Social Care?

The course of study prescribed by this specification can reasonably be undertaken by candidates entering this vocational area for the first time. **Grade 4 in 2 sciences required.** However, students need to be aware that for some university courses, GCSE grade 5 or above may be required. Progression through Advanced Level will provide a suitable basis for further study in related subjects in Higher Education as well as a valuable preparation for careers in any area of Health and Social Care.

What does the course involve?

The one A level equivalent, **BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate in Health and Social Care**, will be studied over 2 years. This pathway will consist of 4 units of study; 2 of these units are assessed internally and validated by BTEC and 2 are assessed externally. This qualification is designed to provide a broad basis of study for the health and social care sector and is designed to support progression to higher education when taken as part of a programme of study that includes other appropriate BTEC Nationals or A Levels offered by the school. Units 1, 2 and 5 are mandatory units which must be included in the programme of study. The final optional unit of study is chosen by the school.

Units of Study	Title
1 – Mandatory	Human Lifespan Development (externally assessed)
2 – Mandatory	Working in Health and Social Care (externally assessed)
5 - Mandatory	Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs (internally assessed)
Optional Unit	Chosen by King Edward VII School (internally assessed)

The two A level equivalent, **BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Health and Social Care**, will be studied over 2 years. In this case students will complete 8 units of study, 6 mandatory units and 2 optional units chosen by the school. It again supports access to a range of higher education courses if taken as part of a programme of study that includes other appropriate level 3 qualifications. For example, students may wish to study the National Diploma alongside an A level such as sociology, psychology or a science subject.

Units of Study	Title
1 – Mandatory	Human Lifespan Development (externally assessed)
2 – Mandatory	Working in Health and Social Care (externally assessed)
4 – Mandatory	Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care (externally assessed)
5 – Mandatory	Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs (internally assessed)
7 – Mandatory	Principles of Safe Practice in Health and Social Care (internally assessed)
8 – Mandatory	Promoting Public Health (internally assessed)
Optional Units	The 2 optional units will be chosen by King Edward VII School

More detailed information about the BTEC National qualifications in Health and Social Care can be found on the BTEC website or by following the link below.

http://qualifications.pearson.com/content/dam/pdf/BTEC-Nationals/Health-and-Social-Care/2016/specification-and-sample-assessments/9781446938003_BTEC_Nat_ExCert_HSC_AG_Spec_Iss3C.pdf

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