

Intent: What are we trying to achieve?

Subject Vision: BTEC Tech Award Health and Social Care

Health and Social Care at Parklands supports students in acquiring sector-specific, applied knowledge through vocational contexts. This includes studying human lifespan development, health and social care services and values, and health and wellbeing as part of their Key Stage 4 learning. The subject aims to provide students with valuable insight into one of Britain's fastest-growing sectors, offering pathways into diverse careers such as social care, adult care, social work, and various branches of healthcare.

Curious Learners

Health and Social Care allows students to identify their strengths and interests to help inform their next steps in education and training. Students acquire the sector specific knowledge, understanding and skills by exploring a range of healthcare conditions and social care needs and how different services work to meet individual needs. Theory is always combined with practical application.

Respectful Citizens

Applying the health and social care values enables the development of skills to contribute effectively to future relationships within the community. The requirement to demonstrate maturity and respect for others; to be confident and fully prepared to manage emotions for the many challenges and opportunities faced in managing our own and other people's health and well-being.

Aspiration Individuals

This qualification recognises the value of learning skills, knowledge and vocational attributes; to develop transferable employability skills to prepare students for any chosen route. Studying in a vocational context broadens horizons and opens career opportunities. The Health and Social Care sector is a fundamental part of our society and students will gain an appreciation of this.

Motivated Achievers

Throughout the qualification students develop the independent study skills required for further and higher education including; competency in a range of areas of research, essay and report writing, exam technique and application of real life examples which will support them in further study, apprenticeships and into their professional lives in the Health and Social Care sector.

Key Concepts in Health and Social Care:

- Research techniques and measure of physical health.
- Written communication through creating healthcare plans.
- Embedding learning through application:
 - Exploring what working in the Health and Social Care sector involves and gaining the underpinning knowledge and skills required to work successfully within it.
 - Developing key knowledge, skills and behaviours, and learning about essential tools, techniques, and equipment.
 - Applying learning to real life contexts and vocational scenarios in both learning and assessment.