

Dear Parent/ Carer,

## <u>Ref: BTEC Tech Award – Health and Social Care Coursework – Component 2</u>

In Health and Social Care pupils are assessed by 'timed tasks' known as Pearson Set Assignments (PSAs), whereby they are required to complete an assignment set by the exam board in an allotted time. We are about to embark on Component Two.

From this point onwards until the beginning of December, students will be completing 5 tasks under supervised conditions within lessons. It is therefore very important that all students attend every lesson to complete their exam assignment tasks within the weeks outlined below. The PSA time is monitored, and all students are expected to complete these tasks in silence, just like an external exam. They are allowed to take notes into these sessions, these have been an ongoing process and should be up to date. To ensure each child achieves the best grade, we need them in lessons and showing the exam board what they can do, as this is valuable time for them to get the best grade at the end of Year 11.

We have signposted the following 6 hours for the first attempt of the 5 tasks, week beginning 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024. This will allow them required time to complete each task before moving onto the next task:

- Monday, 21st October Period 4
- Thursday, 24th October Period 5 & 6
- Friday, 25th October Period 3 5

Following half-term, students will then receive an initial grade; time will then be given to upgrade and re-submit in lesson time before submission to the exam board on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

We would welcome your support and encouragement with regards attendance, as failure to attend these lessons will have a detrimental impact on their final grade. If you have any questions or feel there is something we could do to further support your child, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully,

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