

H&SC Curriculum Intent

Studying Health and Social Care will build confidence and encourage students to achieve their full potential academically, in life and in the working world. This course prepares students with the independent study skills required for further and higher education.

Studying in a vocational context will broaden horizons and open career opportunities in one of the largest employment sectors in the UK. About three million people work in health or social care. Health care roles include doctors, pharmacists, nurses, midwives and health care assistants, while social care roles include care assistants, occupational therapists, counsellors, administrative roles as well as many others. Together they account for nearly one in 10 of all paid jobs in the UK. Demand for both health and social care is likely to rise so they will continue to play a key role in UK society, and the demand for people to fill these vital jobs will increase.

Applying the health and social care values will enable the development of skills to contribute effectively to future employment as well as relationships within the community. This course provides a great starting point for further academic and vocational study. Our intent is to provide a dynamic, knowledge rich, Key Stage 4 option whilst at the same time developing transferable employability skills to prepare our students for any chosen career path. The study of care values at the heart of health and social care services supports our students in the development of many skills so that they can succeed as educated citizens and contribute to society in a positive way.