

## **Curriculum**

Child Development is a Level 1/2 BTEC Tech course that is split into 3 inter-related units.

In Year 10 we cover Unit 1 (Children's Growth and Development) and Unit 2 (Learning through Play), and both are assessed through internal, extended writing coursework pieces which makes up 60% of the grade.

In Year 11 we cover Unit 3 (Supporting Children to Play, Learn and Develop) and this is assessed via an external exam in the February, which makes up 40% of the grade.

During the two-year course, you will develop your knowledge and technical skills in:

- the characteristics of children's development from birth up to five years
- factors that affect growth and development
- the importance of play
- how play promotes children's learning and development
- reasons why children may need support
- child-friendly environments to support play, learning and development in children from birth to five years old
- supporting all children to learn and develop physically, intellectually, emotionally and socially, and adapting activities to support children's play, learning and development

## **Homework**

The majority of homework set will be coursework based, allowing the student to work independently and manage their time to meet a deadline. There are sometimes other homework tasks such as creating leaflets/poster and completing research on your own experiences of Child Development!

## **Equipment**

Having a computer at home is helpful for homework and coursework but the iPad is more than suitable. We have a limited collection of textbooks to use in school which the students can borrow, but the students are free to purchase one of their own if they wish.

## **Visits/Extra-curricular**

We are looking forward to taking trips to local parks to assess play environments and even local pre-schools to observe how they support the learning and development in young children.