

INFORMATION & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

Pupil year: L5 - U5 (Yr 10-11)

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OCR LEVEL 2 NATIONAL FIRST AWARD IN ICT (GCSE EQUIVALENT)

One lesson per week will allow you to continue improving your ICT skills and gain a full GCSE equivalent in ICT at grades A-C. You can easily proceed onto A-level ICT from this course.

The OCR Level 2 Nationals in ICT have been developed to recognise candidates' skills, knowledge and understanding of Information and Communication Technology functions, environments and operations. They have been designed to accredit candidates' achievements in a modern and practical way that is relevant to the world around them.

The qualification specifically aims to:

- Develop candidates' knowledge and understanding of the Information and Communication Technology.
- Develop candidates' ability to work autonomously and effectively in an Information and Communication Technology context.
- Develop candidates' skills, knowledge and understanding of a range of industry-standard software applications,
- Enable candidates to develop knowledge and understanding in specialist areas of Information and Communication Technology,
- Encourage progression by assisting in the development of skills, knowledge and understanding that candidates will need to access sixth form and higher education programmes.

To attain the OCR Level 2 National First Award In ICT you will complete two units of work (this course is 100% coursework).

Unit 1, ICT Skills for Business is the mandatory unit for this qualification and covers the following areas: word processing, desktop publishing, presentations, spreadsheet, databases, and the internet and e-mail. Students then have the opportunity to select one of the following additional units: Unit 20, Creating Animation, Unit 21, Creating Computer Graphics, Unit 22, Creating Sound and Unit 23, Creating Video. Girls will be guided by their ICT Teacher on which unit will be most suitable for them.