



Alternative Curriculum Key Stage 4



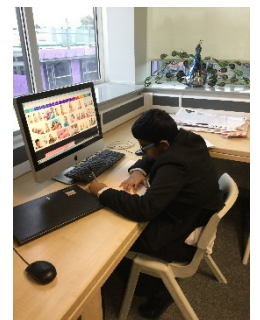
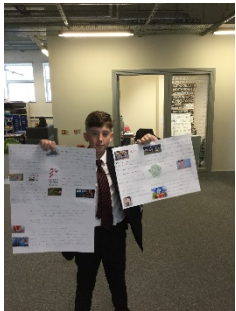
What is the Alternative Curriculum?

The introduction of the Alternative Curriculum came about due to the changes with GCSEs. The Alternative Curriculum is a combination of academic vocational qualifications, AQA's Step up to English and Life Skills lessons. The academic qualifications that the students are studying for are BTEC Technical Level 1 Health and Social Care and OCR National Level 1 Sports Science that will count to the progress 8 measure from 2018. Students are taught in very small teaching groups, so that each individual need is catered for. The use of Multi-Sensory learning and kinaesthetic activities are used within the Alternative Curriculum to support the learning needs of the students.

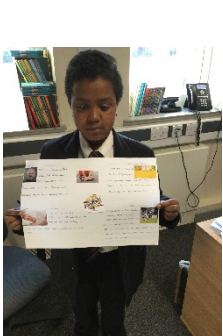


How are students chosen to be in the Alternative Curriculum group?

The decision to place the students in the alternative curriculum is based on various different factors including data captions, advice from the Educational Psychologist or other professionals, discussions with parents, students and teachers. All students attend mainstream English, Maths and Science lessons with their peers where additional in class support is provided. Each student has an alternative curriculum timetable that is tailored to their individual needs, meaning that some students access more alternative curriculum lessons than others. Student's timetables are reviewed half termly and if students require more alternative curriculum time the timetable is adapted to meet their needs.



Alternative Curriculum Timetable



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Health and Social care	Sports Science		Health and Social Care	Life Skills
2	Step up the English –		Health and Social care		Step up the English
3	Sports Science	Health and Social care		Life Skills	Sports Science
4	Step up the English –	Sports Science		Step up the English – Step up the English	Intervention
5		Step up the English –	Step up the English		



Further Opportunities

Within the Alternative Curriculum students are given further opportunities to develop personally. There will be a number of trips to colleges, universities and work places to build students Aspirations and future plans. There will also be trips that will help support life skills.

