Blue Coat
Church of England Academy

Year: 10	Subject: ICT

Overview

WJEC Level 1/2 Vocational Awards (Technical Awards) provide learners with opportunities to study vocational subjects alongside GCSEs and other general and vocational qualifications as part of a broad programme of study.

They are primarily designed for learners aged 14-16 and offer an experience that focuses on applied learning, i.e., acquiring and applying knowledge, skills and understanding through purposeful tasks set in sector or subject contexts that have many of the characteristics of real work.

Information Communication Technology

The Vocational Award in ICT has been designed to support learners in schools who want to learn about this vocational sector and the potential it can offer them for their careers or further study. It is most suitable as a foundation for further study. This further study would provide learners with the opportunity to develop a range of specialist and general skills that would support their progression to employment. Although there are no formal entry requirements, learners would find the following learning skills and aptitudes helpful: basic proficiency in literacy and numeracy, aptitude for working with computers and motivation to work independently.

This is a unitised qualification consisting of two mandatory units:
Unit 1 ICT in Society External 48 Guided Learning Hours - Unit 1 allows learners to explore the wide range of uses of hardware, application and specialist software in society. Learners will investigate how information technology is used in a range of contexts, including business and organisations, education and home use of information technology
(page 8).
Unit 2 ICT in Context Internal 72 Guided Learning Hours - Unit 2 introduces learners to a broad working knowledge of databases, spreadsheets, automated

documents and images and enables learners to apply their knowledge and understanding to solve problems in vocational settings.