



Accreditation Outcomes 2022

Accreditation in the curriculum over the past two years has focused upon the students developing their portfolios of evidence for their **OCR Life and Living Skills** Introductory award.

The OCR award offers a flexible yet more comprehensive approach to accreditation for our 6th form students. It is an approach which enables us to bank evidence of skills and knowledge the students have learnt over time.

Dependent on how much evidence each student has against the Life and Living skills framework means we are able to enter the student for the Introductory or Entry level award when they reach the end of their 6th form curriculum.

This year in Life and Living Skills, the young people have focussed on the Environment and Community and Personal skills.

The young people have accessed the OCR learning in many ways, such as work experience in the on-site café and work experience offsite in the walled gardens.

The subjects covered include; recognising community, identifying local community and facilities and my rights and responsibilities, everybody matters.

Seven of our young people have been accredited this year at the Introductory Level and have received their certification from OCR. For 2022-23 we envisage entering a number of our 6th form students at both the introductory and entry level.

For context, the achievement of the OCR Life and living skills award would be the equivalent to a significant accumulation of individual AQA unit awards.

We have continued to use AQA unit awards to support accreditation in other areas of the curriculum, the focus this year having been on our ECO schools award which we achieved with distinction in June

Students across KS3/4/5 worked towards AQA individual unit accreditation in the following areas;

- MARKET GARDENING (UNIT 2): PLANTING AND MAINTAINING BEDS
- OUTDOOR LEARNING: FIELD TO FORK

- CLEARING AND TIDYING AN AREA OF LAND
- FOOD CHOICES AND SUSTAINABILITY
- HEALTHY EATING WITH SUPPORT
- PERSONAL WELL-BEING (UNIT 1)
- STRESS MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES (UNIT 1)

We will continue to use the AQA unit awards to support accreditation for targeted areas of our curriculum and our planning to develop further accreditation opportunities over the next Academic year.

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