

## **Year 10 Coursework 'Pen Pictures' (2010/11)**

### **BTEC in Applied Science**

As there is no final exam in this subject, coursework makes up 100% of the final grade and is internally assessed and moderated. Each unit within the qualification has specified assessment and grading criteria. Students will be working towards the Diploma, (equivalent to 4 GCSE's), Extended certificate (equivalent to 2 GCSE's) or the Certificate (equivalent to 1 GCSE). A summative unit grade can be awarded at pass, merit or distinction for the certificate, extended certificate or Diploma:

- to achieve a 'pass' a learner must have satisfied all the pass criteria (Equivalent to a C grade at GCSE)
- to achieve a 'merit' a learner must additionally have satisfied all the merit criteria (Equivalent to a B grade at GCSE)
- to achieve a 'distinction' a learner must additionally have satisfied all the distinction criteria (Equivalent to an A grade at GCSE).

### **Science (core)**

Coursework consists of a case study and a Data Analysis piece (totalling 33.3% of the single GCSE) Most is completed in class, but an additional 4-6 hours may be necessary spread over the 4-6 weeks that it takes to complete.

### **Science (Triple)**

Pupils write up one experimental investigation which includes the plan, results, analysis and evaluation *or* a case study and data analysis for Biology Physics and Chemistry. It contributes to 33.3% of the single GCSE for each subject. For those student taught 4 lessons a fortnight the investigation and most of the write up is completed in class, but an additional 4-6 hours may be necessary spread over the 4-6 weeks that it takes to complete. For those students taught 3 lessons a fortnight a collapsed day is set aside to complete the investigation and an additional 4-6 hours spread over the 4-6 weeks is given to complete the write up. A final deadline will be set for the complete piece of work.