



**14-16
Practical Learning Opportunities
Foundation Learning
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Subject	Certificate in Skills for Working Life
Qualification title	NPTC Certificate in Skills for Working Life - Landbased
Level of award	Entry Level 2
QCF Number	500/6579/8
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	This course is offered on a day release basis for 1 academic year. Lectures start at 10.00am and finish at 2.30pm.
Core Units	<p>Mandatory credits need to be gained from Preparing for Work Units and Personal and Social Development.</p> <p>These units include subjects such as: Identifying familiar hazards, working safely and being aware of emergency procedures, working towards goals, developing social skills and working as part of a group.</p>
Specialist Units	The remaining credits of this qualification will be gained by studying Landbased subjects. This course is very practical based with most of the subjects being taught in a practical context using the College's natural resources.
Course description	<p>The course will include: how to handle, feed, care and look after a range of animals, including small animals (e.g. pet mammals, reptiles, birds and fish), farm animals and horses. We use naturally occurring opportunities and encourage involvement at busy times on the units, such as lambing and calving times on the farm.</p> <p>It will also include: tree and plant recognition, fencing, creating footpaths, planting and general use of a range of landscaping tools. The students also learn about the countryside and how to care for it.</p>
Assessment methods	<p>The teaching and assessment of these subjects is usually embedded in the practical subjects covered.</p> <p>A small amount of paperwork is needed for the student's portfolio although most of the assessment is through practical observations</p>

Please note that this course is offered via the L2W Programme offered to Exeter and East Devon schools. Further information and contact can be made by schools via their website www.l2w.org.uk

Subject	Certificate in Skills for Working Life
Qualification title	NPTC Certificate in Skills for Working Life
Level of award	Entry Level 3
QCF Number	500/6550/6
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	This course is offered on a day release basis for 1 academic year. Lectures start at 10.00am and finish at 2.30pm.
Core Units	<p>Mandatory credits need to be gained from Preparing for Work Units and Personal and Social Development.</p> <p>These units include subjects such as: working safely, lifting and handling safely, preparing and attending an interview, healthy living, working as part of a group and preparation for work.</p>
Specialist Units	The remaining credits of this qualification will be gained by studying Landbased subjects. This course is very practical based with most of the subjects being taught in a practical context using the College's natural resources.
Course description	<p>The course will include: how to handle, feed, care and look after a range of animals including small animals (eg. pet mammals, reptiles, birds and fish), farm animals and horses. We use naturally occurring opportunities and encourage involvement at busy times on the units such as lambing and calving times on the farm.</p> <p>It will also include: tree and plant recognition, fencing, creating footpaths, planting and general use of a range of landscaping tools. The students also learn about the countryside and how to care for it.</p>
Assessment methods	<p>The teaching and assessment of these subjects is usually embedded in the practical subjects covered.</p> <p>A small amount of paperwork is needed for the student's portfolio although most of the assessment is through practical observations</p>

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Subject	Agriculture
Qualification title	NPTC City and Guilds Award / Certificate / Diploma in Work Based Agriculture
Level of award	1
QCF Number	500/6752/7 (Certificate)
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	Students will attend 1 day a week for their Year 10 and 11 of school. For students starting in September 2010 this will be a Tuesday . Lectures start at Bicton at 10.00am and will finish at 2.30pm.
Core Units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the safety of self and others in the workplace • Principles of transporting supplies of physical resources within the work area • Assist with the transport of supplies of physical resources within the work area • Assist with the maintenance of equipment • Principles of the maintenance of equipment
Specialist Units	Four of the following will be chosen to complete the credits needed for the certificate qualification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principles and assisting with maintaining structures and surfaces • Principles and assisting with the care of animals • Principles and assisting with the basic operation of a tractor • Principles and assisting with the movement of animals • Principles and assisting with preparing sites and planting crops • Principles and assisting with maintaining livestock accommodation • Principles and assisting with monitoring of livestock outdoors
Course description	The aim is to meet the needs of learners who work or wish to work in the agriculture industry and to allow the students to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment or career progression in the agriculture sector. We use naturally occurring opportunities and encourage involvement at busy times on the units such as lambing and calving times on the farm.
Assessment methods	The teaching and assessment of these subjects is usually embedded in the practical subjects covered. A small amount of paperwork is needed for the student's portfolio although most of the assessment is through practical observations.

Please note that we aim for most students to complete the Certificate qualification. Some students however may achieve the Award qualification, whilst more able students could achieve the Diploma qualification.

Subject	Animal Care
Qualification title	NPTC City and Guilds Award / Certificate / Diploma in Work Based Animal Care
Level of award	1
QCF Number	500/7273/0 (Certificate)
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	Students will attend 1 day a week for their Year 10 and 11 of school. For students starting in September 2010 this will be a Tuesday . Lectures start at Bicton at 10.00am and will finish at 2.30pm
Core Units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the safety of self and others in the workplace • Assist with the care of animals • Principles of the care of animals • Principles of dealing with animal accommodation • Assist with animal accommodation • Principles of dealing with feedstuffs for small animals • Assist with feedstuffs for small animals
Specialist Units	<p>One of the following will be chosen to complete the credits needed for the certificate qualification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principles and assistance with the movement and handling of small animals • Principles and assistance with the movement and handling of farm animals
Course description	<p>The aim is to meet the needs of learners who work or wish to work in the animal care industry and to allow the students to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment or career progression in the animal care sector.</p> <p>We use naturally occurring opportunities and every week students will be rotated around the animal care unit to care, clean and feed the various animals at Bicton, including mammals, reptiles, fish and birds.</p>
Assessment methods	<p>The teaching and assessment of these subjects is usually embedded in the practical subjects covered.</p> <p>A small amount of paperwork is needed for the student's portfolio although most of the assessment is through practical observations</p>

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Subject	Horse Care
Qualification title	NPTC City and Guilds Award / Certificate / Diploma in Work Based Horse Care
Level of award	1
QCF Number	tbc (anticipated Summer 2010)
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	Students will attend 1 day a week for their Year 10 and 11 of school. For students starting in September 2010 this will be a Tuesday . Lectures start at Bicton at 10.00am and will finish at 2.30pm.
Core Units	This will be confirmed when the course specifications have been published by the Awarding Body. This is likely to be in the Summer 2010. Please see the Course Description below to give a summary of the contents of the course.
Specialist Units	As above
Course description	The aim is to meet the needs of learners who work or wish to work in the horse care industry and to allow the students to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment or career progression in the horse care sector. We use naturally occurring opportunities and every week students will be timetabled on our working yards to carry out practical tasks. At this level we do not expect or allow students to ride the horses at Bicton. The course will include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assist with the care of horses • Maintain safe and effective working practices • Assist with the cleaning the stables and yard • Assist with putting on , taking off, and cleaning, equipment • Assist with handling horses
Assessment methods	The teaching and assessment of these subjects is usually embedded in the practical subjects covered. A small amount of paperwork is needed for the students portfolio although most of the assessment is through practical observations

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Subject	Horticulture
Qualification title	NPTC City and Guilds Award / Certificate / Diploma in Work Based Horticulture
Level of award	1
QCF Number	500/6659/6 (Certificate)
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	Students will attend 1 day a week for their Year 10 and 11 of school. For students starting in September 2010 this will be a Tuesday . Lectures start at Bicton at 10.00am and will finish at 2.30pm
Core Units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the safety of self and others in the workplace <p>Three of the following will be chosen to study and be assessed on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principles and assistance with the transport of supplies of physical resources within the work area • Principles and assistance with the maintenance of grass surfaces • Principles and assistance with the maintenance of structures and surfaces • Principles and assistance of planting and establishing plants • Principles and assistance of maintaining plants
Specialist Units	<p>Three of the following will be chosen to complete the credits needed for the certificate qualification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principles and assistance with the maintenance of equipment • Principles and assistance with the propagation of plants from seeds • Principles and assistance with the identification and controlling of common pests and diseases • Principles and assistance with the growing of media • Principles and assistance with the harvesting and preparing of crops
Course description	<p>The aim is to meet the needs of learners who work or wish to work in the horticulture industry and to allow the students to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment or career progression in the horticulture sector.</p> <p>We use naturally occurring opportunities and every week students will be timetabled to work within the gardens and grounds at Bicton.</p>
Assessment methods	<p>The teaching and assessment of these subjects is usually embedded in the practical subjects covered.</p> <p>A small amount of paperwork is needed for the students portfolio although most of the assessment is through practical observations</p>

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Subject	Landbased Operations
Qualification title	NPTC City and Guilds Award / Certificate / Diploma in Work Based Landbased Operations
Level of award	1
QCF Number	500/6660/2 (Certificate)
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	Students will attend 1 day a week for their Year 10 and 11 of school. For students starting in September 2010 this will be a Tuesday . Lectures start at Bicton at 10.00am and will finish at 2.30pm.
Core Units	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the safety of self and others in the workplace • Principles of transporting supplies of physical resources within the work area • Assist with the transport of supplies of physical resources within the work area • Assist with maintaining structures and surfaces • Principles of maintaining structures and surfaces
Specialist Units	<p>Three of the following will be chosen to complete the credits needed for the certificate qualification.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principles and assisting with the care of animals • Principles and assisting with the basic operation of a tractor • Principles and assisting with the movement of animals • Principles and assisting with animal accommodation • Principles and assisting with the maintenance of equipment • Principles and assisting with the maintenance of grass surfaces • Principles and assistance of planting and establishing plants • Principles and assistance of maintaining plants • Contribute to the preparation of forest and woodland sites • Carry out habitat management • Hedgelaying • Introduction to Dry Stone Walling
Course description	<p>The aim is to meet the needs of learners who work or wish to work in the Landbased industry and to allow the students to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment or career progression in the Landbased sector.</p> <p>We use naturally occurring opportunities and every week students will be timetabled to work within the gardens, grounds and farm at Bicton.</p>
Assessment methods	<p>The teaching and assessment of these subjects is usually embedded in the practical subjects covered.</p> <p>A small amount of paperwork is needed for the students portfolio although most of the assessment is through practical observations.</p>

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Subject	Sport & Recreation
Qualification title	Ed Excel NVQ Sport, Recreation & Allied Occupations (To be replaced by similar QCF Qualification Summer 2010)
Level of award	1
QCF Number	tbc (anticipated Summer 2010)
Performance Points	QCDA to confirm and publish
Time needed	Students will attend 1 day a week for their Year 10 and 11 of school. For students starting in September 2010 this will be a Tuesday . Lectures start at Bicton at 10.00am and will finish at 2.30pm
Core Units	This will be confirmed when the course specifications have been published by the Awarding Body. This is likely to be in the Summer 2010. Please see the Course Description below to give a summary of the contents of the course.
Specialist Units	As above
Course description	The aim is to meet the needs of learners who work or wish to work in the Sport and Recreation industry and to allow the students to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment or career progression in the Sport and Recreation sector. We use naturally occurring opportunities and every week students will be timetabled to use the resources here at Bicton including the lake, climbing wall, indoor pool, indoor gym and the general estate. The course will include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up, take down and store equipment • Help to maintain facility areas • Deal with accidents and emergencies • Help to give good levels of service to participants and customers • Help to plan and prepare sessions • Lead activities within a session
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Motor Vehicle and Construction Courses

As part of our federation with Exeter College, we are pleased to be able to offer the 14 – 16 students an opportunity to study Motor Vehicle and Construction at Level 1 here at Bicton College for the second year running.

Exeter College tutors deliver the courses at Bicton on the same day as the other courses. This will be Tuesday for students starting in September 2010.

For further information and application information, please contact Exeter College

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Please note that the taster day on Wednesday 3rd February will include the opportunity for students to experience the Motor Vehicle and Construction courses at Bicton.