

Forthcoming vocational Events

BTEC programmes are all changing from September 2010 - specifications, units, assessment. Two events have been organised in S Glos in Dec 2009.

As the IV/EV procedures are also changing, Quality Nominees will need to be updated on these changes in preparation for September 2010. We will arrange our own event in S Glos for 19 May 2010.

There is talk that ALAN will continue but only as an adult qualification with the points taken away - forcing the uptake of FS for all. Edexcel will be running a conversion course for us early next year, 3 Feb 2010.

We will be holding a Vocational Showcase event at BAWA, aimed at teachers of vocational subjects, where they will be able to meet with teachers/students who will be demonstrating and discussing best practice in a wide range of areas. Areas covered will include: Hair and Beauty, Engineering, Construction, Media, Art & Design, Performing Arts, Sport, Applied Science, Business, Embedding functional skills, etc. 7 July 2010.

Event	Targeting	Date	Venue
BTEC 2010 Update	All subject teachers	2 December 2009 3.00 - 5.00 pm	BSCS
BTEC 2010 Update	All subject teachers	9 December 2009 3.00 - 5.00 pm	Kingsfield
Conversion from ALAN to Functional Skills	Maths/English teachers or those responsible for ALAN	3 Feb 2010 3.00 - 5.00 pm	Tbc
BTEC New Quality procedures	Quality nominees	19 May 2010 3.00 - 5.00 pm	Tbc
Vocational Showcase - teaching teams with students demonstrating/discussing best practice in their area	Those teaching vocational programmes in school Curriculum Deputies	7 July 2010	BAWA

Please can you make relevant staff aware of these forthcoming events and, where dates are known, put them in the school diary. I will notify other dates as soon as possible.