

Across the GFM partnership we are enabling our students to sit a few qualifications early in Year 10 as it provides a valuable opportunity for them to rehearse the process of formal examinations ahead of the full programme in Year 11.

It is also an opportunity for students to employ a range of techniques to assess different skills (e.g. multiple choice answers, short, extended and essay style questions). Students will sit examined components of three courses in this academic year.



## Greater opportunities. High value qualifications.

Year 10 learners at Brune Park Community School, LWS Academy and Bay House School and Sixth Form will have the opportunity to achieve three high quality Level 2 qualifications **this** year as part of the enhanced Gosport and Fareham Multi Academy Trust (GFM) examination provision.

Two of the three qualifications (IT User Skills and the Financial Education Award) are verified Technical awards which are practical qualifications for students aged 14 to 16. These qualifications are equivalent to one GCSE. General Studies is a traditional GCSE qualification.

### IT User Skills in Open Systems and Enterprise

The IT User Skills qualification is a high quality technical award. It prepares students for practical use of IT in a business context. Units include: improving productivity, spreadsheet design and word processing.

### GCSE General Studies

GCSE General Studies focuses on important, interesting and relevant contemporary issues. This qualification develops thinking and functional skills, extends curriculum and PSHE Citizenship programmes.

### Award in Financial Education Level 2

The Award in Financial Education (AiFE) is designed for students aged 14-16 and provides an introduction to personal finance & the economy, financial management skills and enterprise.

#### Dates for the diary:

General Studies Unit 1 - Thursday 15 June

General Studies Unit 2 - Tuesday 20 June

All other exams to be confirmed

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